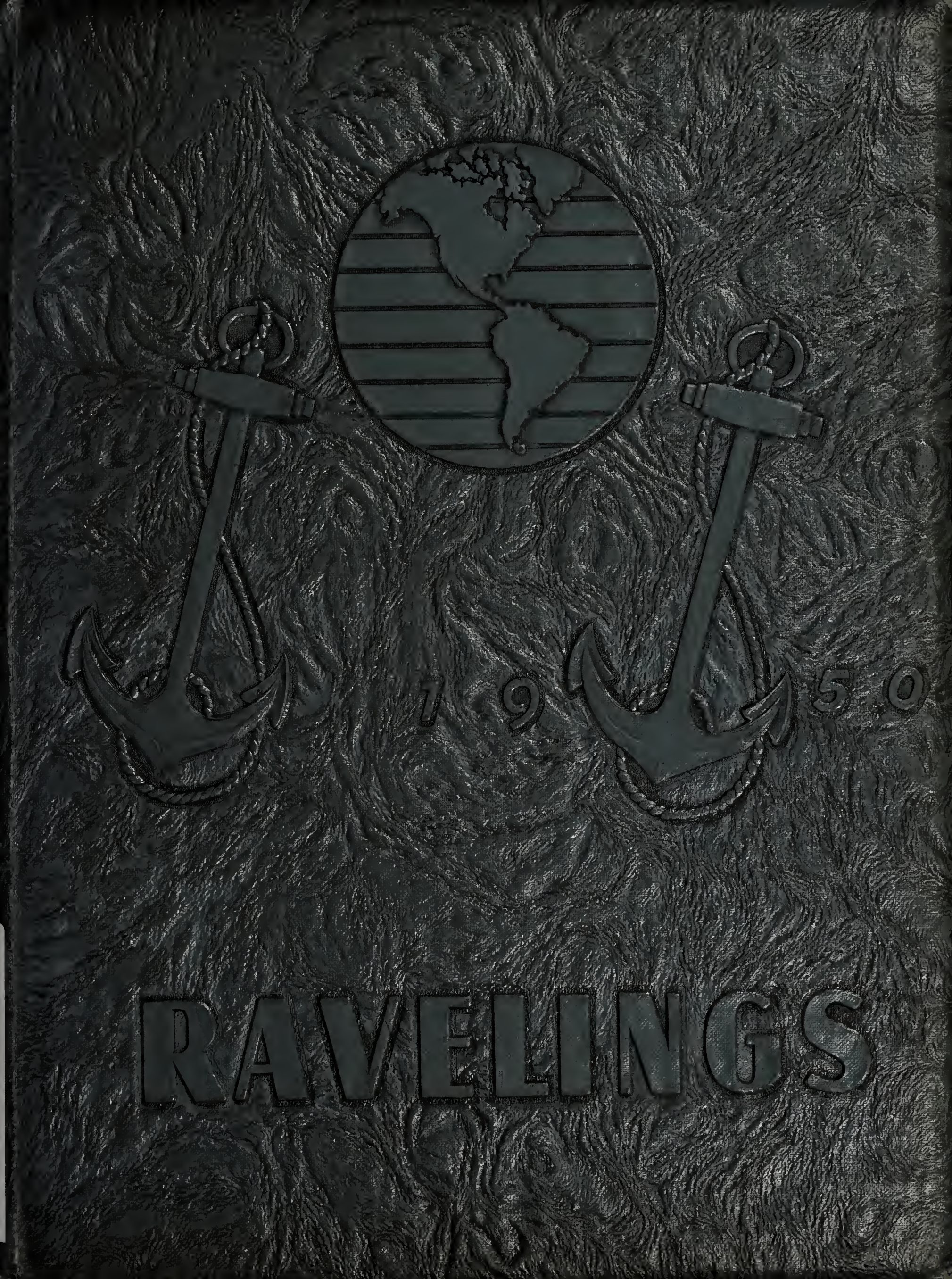
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Roger Lee Johnson

Bob Lenhart
"Benny"

Evelyn Bleeke
"B. B."

Vera Krick
"F. J."

Bob McGill

Leonard Egly

Kaye Runyon
"Kunk"

Alice Fisher
"J. B." '50

Lee Baughn

Jim Bassett

Chalmer "Chad" Lumley

Bill Callow
"Clancy"
"50"

Edith McFarland

Dick Johnson

Ken Strehm

Jane Brumley

Barbara Bauer

Dave Cole

Olga Thieme

Lorine Johnson

Ruth Haskill
"Dom"

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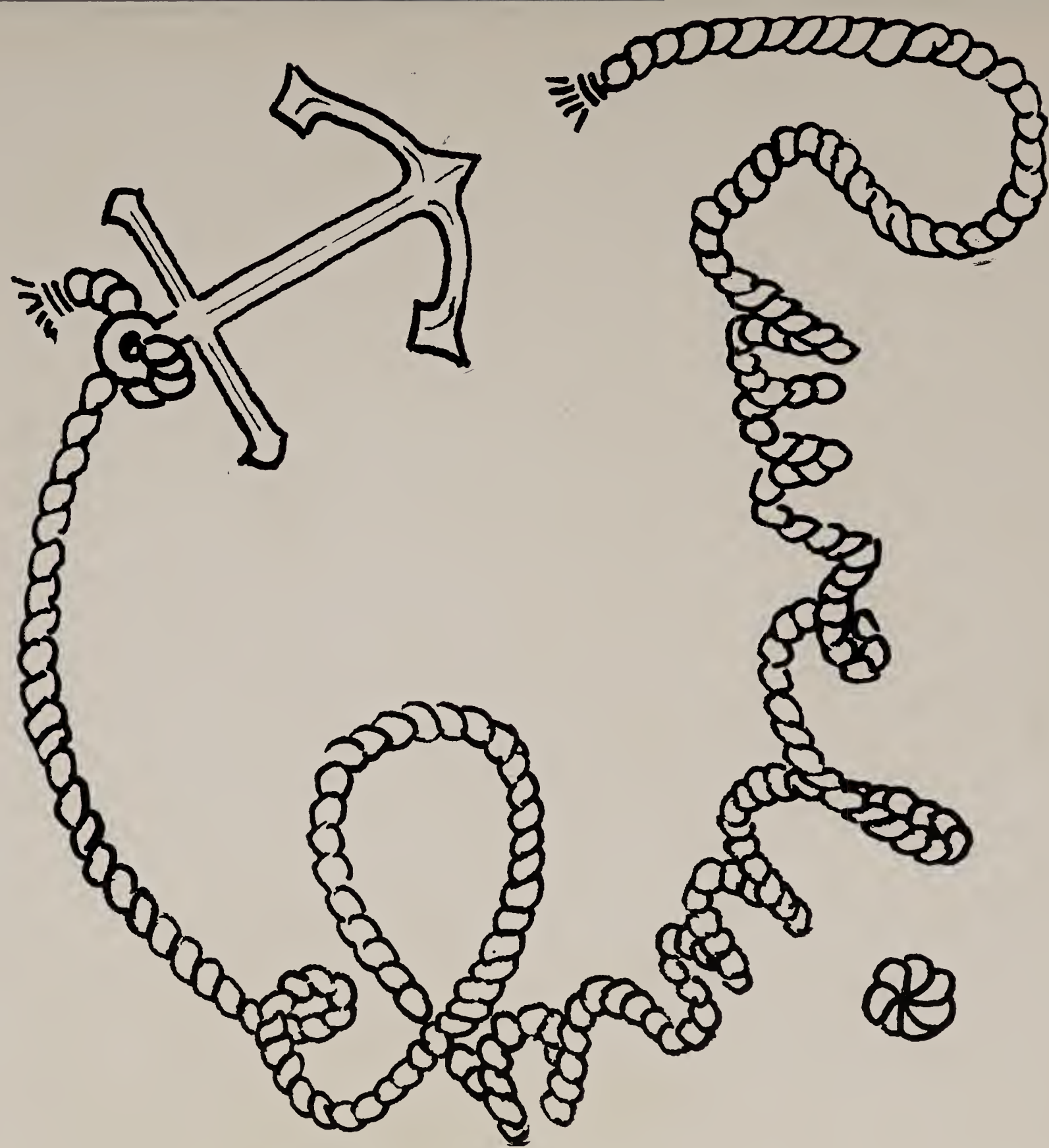

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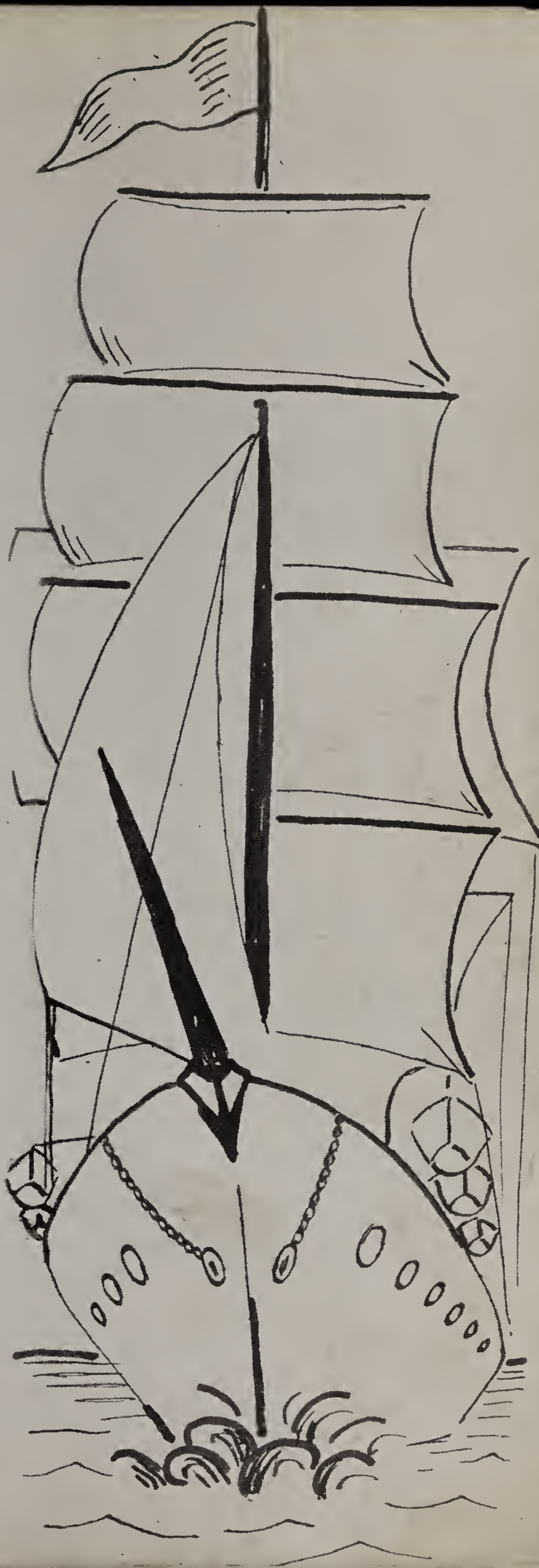
The leaves of adventure are
the briney through the corridors



Me Hearties!

yours to turn at will as we brave
at beautiful Decatur High.

Foreword

With white sails set to a gentle breeze
The full moon lighting our way;
We travel again the voyage we've made,
Along the bridge of light over the bay.

—*L. J. Smith.*

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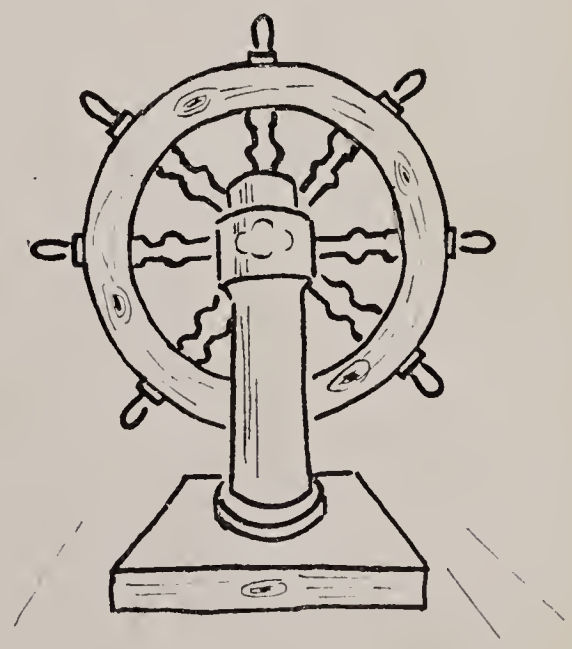

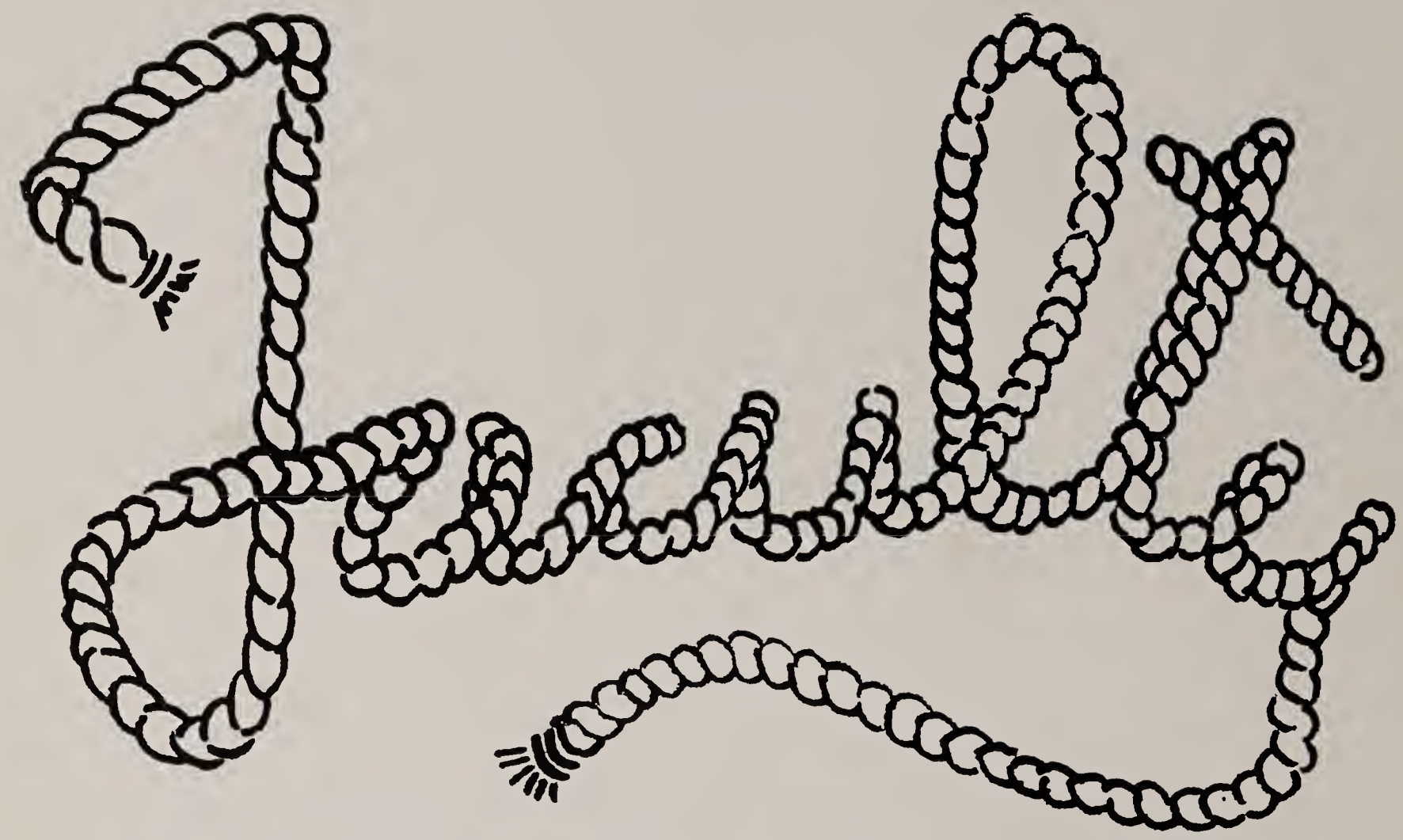

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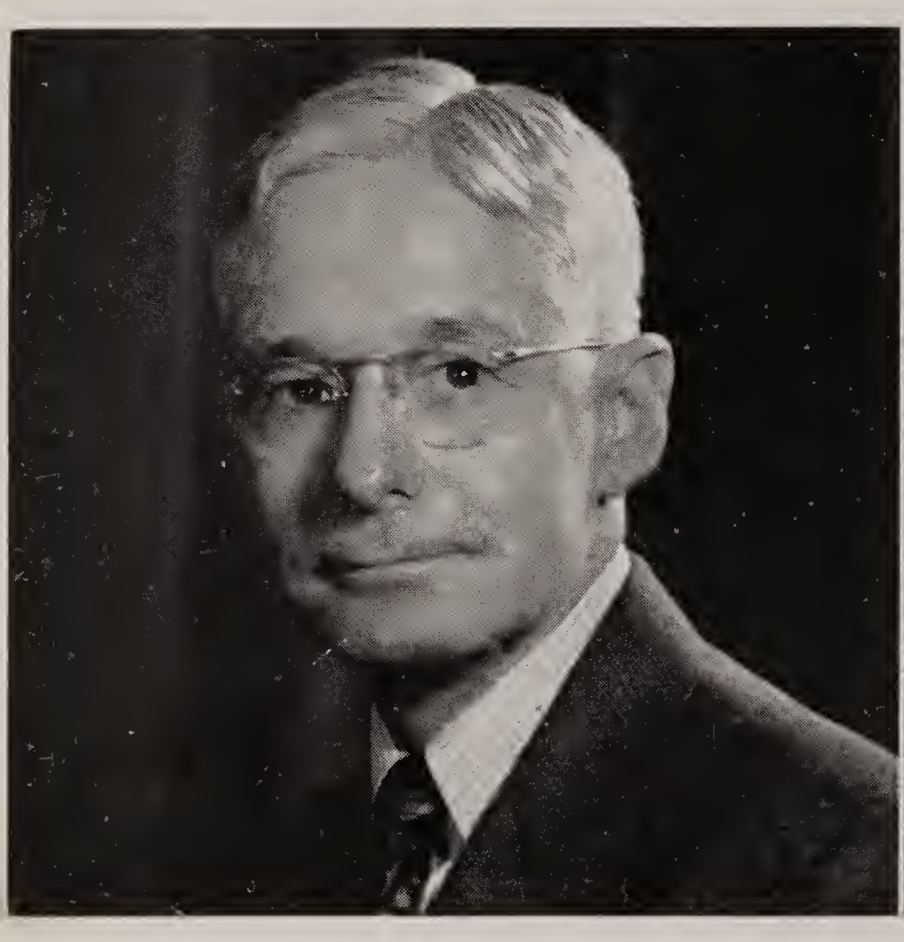

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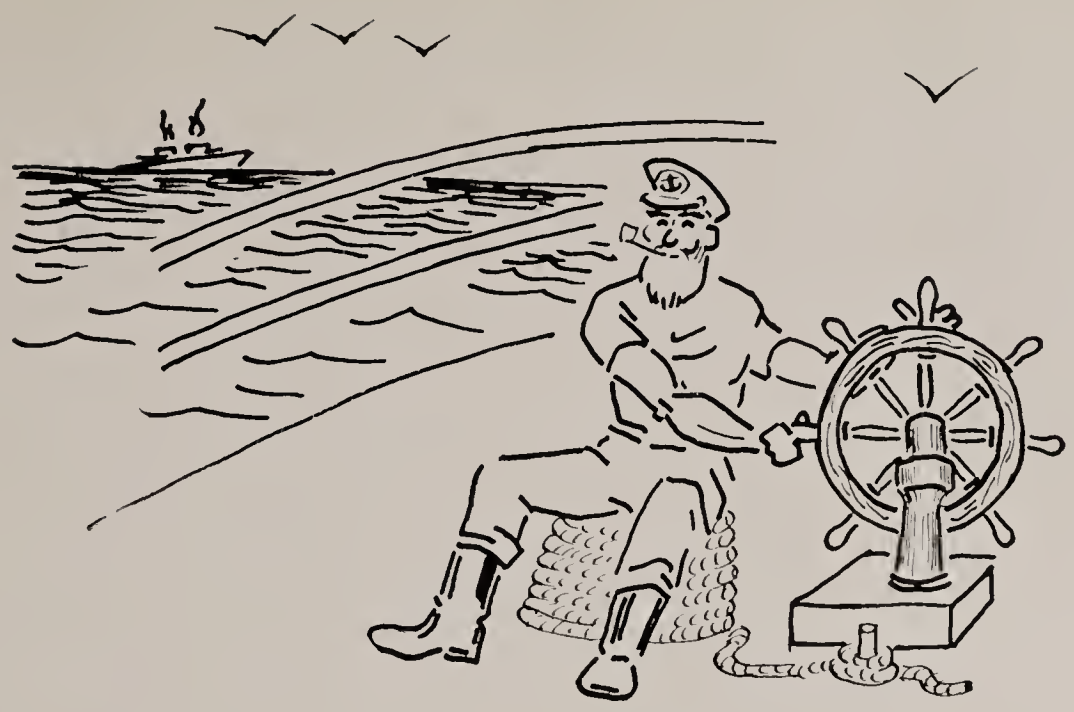

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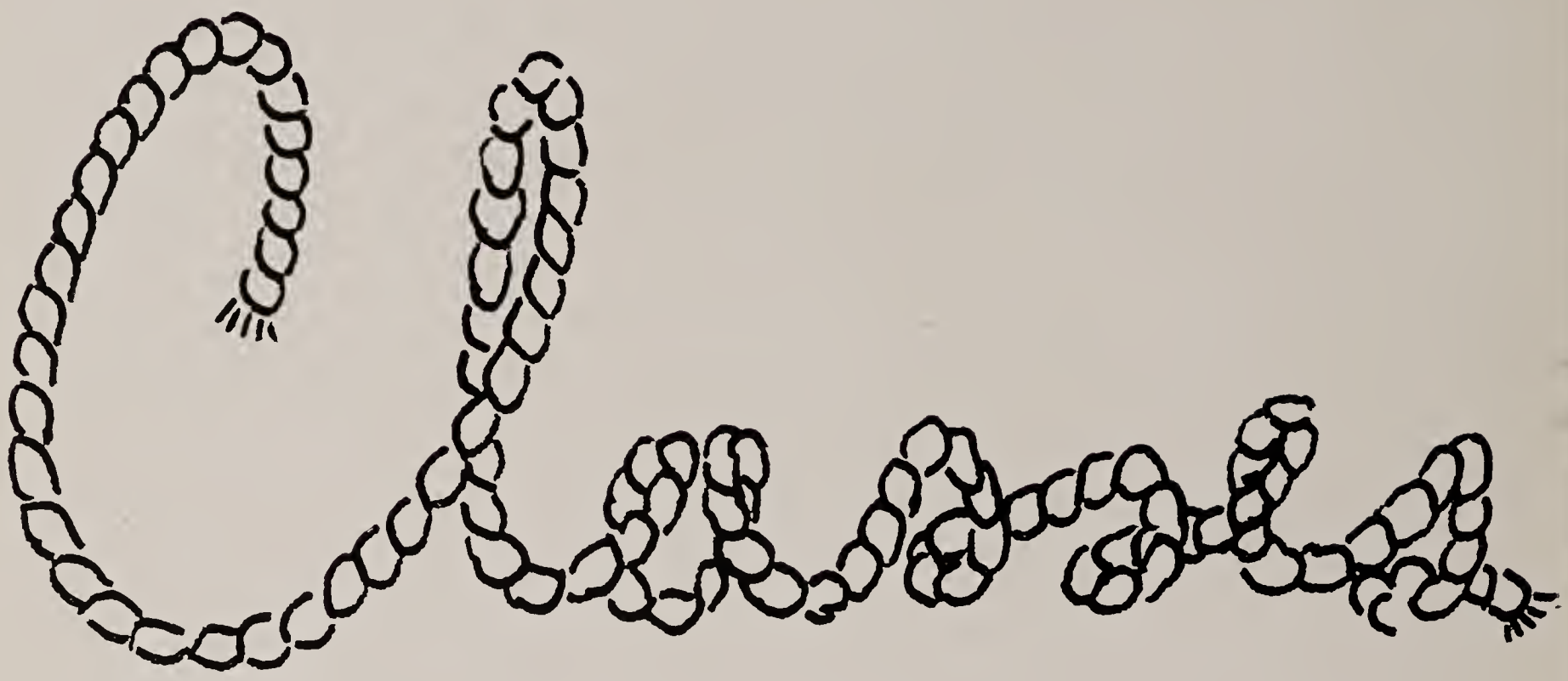

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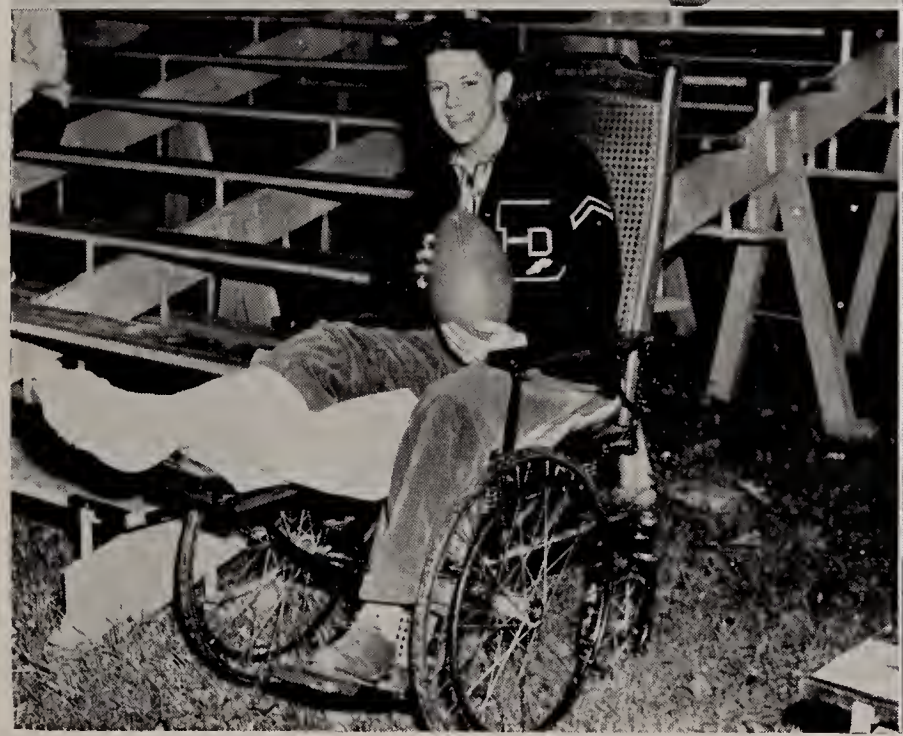

Senior Snaps

Senior Activities

JIM BASSETT: Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '47-'48-'49, Basketball '47-'48, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'48-'50, Cheerleader '50, Art Club '50, Art Club Secretary-Treasurer '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Howling Host Treasurer '48-'49, Freshman Class Treasurer '47, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Christmas Play '49-'50, Spring Review '49-'50, Canteen '47-'48-'49, Gabfest Staff '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

SUE BAUGHN: Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49-'50, President of Home Ec. Club '50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Art Club '50, Spring Review '47- 49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47, Christmas Play '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50.

BARBARA BEEHLER: Band '47-'48-'49, Drum Corps '49, Commercial Club '49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Ravelings Staff '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, Gabfest Staff '50, Christmas Play '48-'49-'50, Spring Operetta '48-'49-'50, Girls' Basketball '47-'48-'49-50, Home Ec. Club '47.

EVELYN BLEEKE: Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49-'50, Glee Club '50, Christmas Play '50, Operetta '50, Commercial Club 49-50.

DELANE BOWMAN: Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Basketball '47-'48-'49,Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Art Club '50, Track '49-'50, Vice-President Howling Host '49-'50, Howling Host '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Intramural '50.

NORMA BROWN: Commercial Club '49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49, President Art Club '50 Choir '50, Operetta '47. Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47, Gabfest 50.

JANE BRUMLEY: High School Choir '49-'50, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Gabfest Staff '49-'50, Art Club '50, Spring Review '48-'49-'50, Christmas Program '49-'50. Girls' Double Trio '50, Band '47-48.

BILL CALLOW: Howling Hosts '47-48-'49-50, Cheer Leader '50. Football '47-'48-'49, Intramurals '47-'48-'50, Art Club '50, Commercial Club '50, Choir '50, Boys' Glee Club 50, Track '49, Cross Country '49-50, Spring Review '50.

DAVE COLE: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48, Intramural basketball '48, High School Choir '49, Spring Review '49, Track '49, Cross Country '49, Ravelings Staff '49-'50, Howling Hosts '49-50, Art Club '50.

CLARENCE COTTRELL: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Color Wheel '50, Track '48-'49, Cross Country '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Glee Club '49.

ARLENE DERSCH: Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '50, Gabfest Staff '50, Girls' Basketball '47-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47, High School Choir '49-'50, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, Christmas Play '49-'50, Musical Review '47, Operetta '49-'50.

JOHN DOAN: Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '47-'48-'49, Basketball '47, Golf Team '49-'50, Cheerleader '50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Howling Host '47-'48-'49-'50, Canteen '47-'48-'49, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Gabfest Staff '47-'50, Operetta '49-'50, Junior Rotarian '50, Christmas Play '49-'50, Ravelings Staff '49-'50, Capitol Page School, Washington D. C. '47.

LEONARD EGLY: Intramural basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, High School Choir '50, Commercial Club '50, Christmas Play '50, Football '50, Track '50, Operetta '50.

ELOISE FEASEL: Home Ec. Club '47, Spring Review '47, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Christmas Play '50, High School Choir '50, Spring Review '50.

ALICE FISHER: Glee Club '49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Color Wheel '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49-'50, Girls' Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Operetta '49-'50, Girls' Chorus 49-50.

ANN GARNER: Band '47-'48-'49, Drum Corps '49, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48, High School Choir '49-'50, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, Girls' Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Christmas Program '48-'49-'50, Gabfest Staff '50, Operetta '49-'50.

RUTH GASKILL: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47, Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Spring Review '47. Girls' Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50.

TOM GAUNT: Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '49-'50, Basketball '47-'48, Baseball '47-'48, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Howling Host '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Commercial Club Treasurer '50, Gabfest Staff '50, Christmas Play '49-'50, Spring Review '47, Operetta '49-'50, Art Club '49-'50.

JERRY GEHRIG: Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-50, Track '47-'48-'49-'50, Football '48-'49, Spring Review '49-'50, President of Junior Class '49, Vice-President of Senior Class '50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Basketball '47-'48-'49, High School Choir '50.

KATHRYN GOLDNER: Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Color Wheel Club '49-'50, Band '47-'48-'49, Vice-President of Band '49, Drum Corps '49, President of Commercial Club '50, Commercial Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Operetta '49-'50, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, Ravelings Staff '50, Girls' Double Trio '50, Girls' Athletics '47-'48-'49-'50, Christmas Program '49-'50, Gabfest Staff '50.

COLLEEN HELLER: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-48, High School Choir '49-'50, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, High School Band '47-'48-'49-'50, Drum Corps '49-'50, Review '47, Operetta '49-'50. Christmas Play '47-'48-'49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Art Club '50, Ravelings Staff '50, Scholastic Letter '47-'48, Girls' Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Double Trio '50.

NEIL HESHER: Football '47, Track '47, High School Choir '50, Boys' Glee Club '50, Christmas Play '50, Operetta '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47.

DICK HOTT: Intramural Basketball '47-'49, Treasurer of Junior Class '49, Cross Country '47, Track '49, Commercial Club '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50.

FRED ISCH: Basketball '50, Football '49-'50, Track '47-'48-'49-'50, Cross Country '47, Football Co-captain '50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49, Art Club '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, President of Howling Hosts '50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Christmas Play '50, Canteen '47-48, Commercial Club '49-50, Spring Review '50.

LARRY JENNINGS: Baseball '47-'48-'49, Football '48-'49-'50, Basketball '48-'49-'50, Track '50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Commercial Club '50.

DICK JOHNSON: Commercial Club '49-'50, Cross Country '47-'48, Track '47-'48-'49-'50, Football '49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, High School Choir '50, Boys Glee Club '50, Review '50, Secretary of class '47-'49, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Band '47-'48-'49-'50.

LOUISE JOHNSON: Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Girls' Basketball '49, Home Ec. Club '50.

ROGER JOHNSON: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47, High School Choir '47-'50, Vice-President of class '49, Secretary of class '50, Track '47-'48-'49-'50, Cross Country '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Intramural Basketball '48-'49-'50, Musical Review '49-'50, Junior Rotarian '50, Howling Host '47-'48-'49-'50, Cross Country Captain '50.

BILL KOCHER: Howling Host '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48. High School Choir '49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, Track '50, Spring Operetta '50, Spring Review '49, Christmas Pageants '48-'49-'50.

PHYLLIS KOHLER: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, High School Choir '50, Girls' Glee Club '50, Ravelings Staff '50, Review '47, Operetta '50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Vice-President of Commercial Club '50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Christmas Play '50, Gabfest Editor '50, Band '47-'48-'49, Drum Corps '49-'50, Scholastic Letter '47-'48-'49, Secretary Sophomore Class '48, Secretary-Treasurer of Band '49, Girls' Basketball '47-'48-'50.

NORMAN KOHNE: Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50. Color Wheel '50, Vice-President of Color Wheel '50, Track '47-'48, Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '49, Football '49, Cross Country '50.

VERA KRICK: Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Home Ec. Club '47-'48, Girls Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50.

BOB LENHART: Football '49. Football Manager '50, Track '48-'49, Cross Country '47, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Art Club '50, Secretary of Choir, '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48, Christmas Play '50, Spring Review '50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

BRUCE MACY: Monroe High School '47, Intramural Basketball '48-'49-'50, Howling Hosts '48-'49-'50, Band '49-'50, Saxaphone Quartet '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

EDITH MCFARLAND: Commercial Club '49-'50, Pep Champs '49-'50.

BOB McGILL: Football '48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '48-'49-'50, Track '47, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '50.

DAN MILLS: Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '47-'48-'49-'50, Cross Country '47-'48-'49-'50, High School Choir 49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Golf '49, Christmas Play '47-'48-'49, Spring Review '49-'50, Gabfest staff '50.

MAX MYERS: Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Baseball '48-49-'50, Color Wheel '50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, High School Choir '50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

WILFORD NORRIS: Junction City, Ohio '47-'48, High School Choir '49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, Christmas Program '49-'50, Operetta '49-'50, Intramural Basketball '49-'50.

DICK PETERSON: Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50. F. F. A. '49-'50.

CHALMER PLUMLEY: President of Sophomore Class '48, Baseball '47-'48-'49-'50, Treasurer of Senior Class '59, Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '48-'49, Commercial Club '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Basketball '47-'48-'49.

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BETTY ROSE: Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50, Treasurer of Pep Champs '47, Choir '49-'50, Musical Review '49-'50, Christmas Play '49-'50.

JANET RUCK: Home Ec. Club '47-48-'49-'50, Vice-President of Home Ec. Club '49, Commercial Club '49-'50, Art Club '50, Ravelings Staff '50, Gabfest Staff '50.

KAYE RUNYON: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48, High School Choir '49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Color Wheel '50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50.

BARBARA SAUER: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-48, High School Choir '49-'50, Pep Champs '47-'48-'49-'50. Commercial Club '49-'50, Girls' Glee Club '49-'50, Girls' Double Trio '50, Christmas Play '48-'49-'50, Spring Operetta '47-'49-'50, Gabfest Staff '50, Art Club '50.

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DAVID SHEETS: Commercial Club '49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50.

HELEN SMALLWOOD: Dyer High School '47-'48, North Webster High School '49, High School Choir '50, Girls' Glee Culb '50, Commercial Club '50, Secretary of Commercial Club '50, Spring Operetta '50, Gabfest Staff '50, Christmas Play '50, Pep Champs '50, Girls' Basketball '50.

KEITH SMALLWOOD: Dyer High School '47-'48, North Webster High School '49, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Spring Operetta '50, Christmas Play '50, Howling Hosts '50, Basketball '50, Gabfest Staff '50, Football '50.

DON SMITH: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47, High School Choir '49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Spring Review '47, Operetta '49-'50, Band '47-'48-'49-'50, Secretary-Treasurer of Band '47, President of Band '49, Football '48-'49-'50, Co-Captain of Football '50, Baseball '48-'49-'50. Intramural '47-'48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '50, Junior Rotarian '50, President of Senior Class '50, Gabfest '49-'50, Christmas Play '49-'50.

KENNETH STRAHM: Howling Hosts '48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'49-'50, Commercial Club '50.

BOB STRICKLER: Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '50, High School Choir '50, Treasurer of High School Choir '50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Christmas Pageant '49, Spring Operetta '50. Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '47-'48-'50, Football '49-'50, Baseball '49, Cross Country '50.

MARVIN STUCKY: Football '47-'48-'49-'50, Track '47-'49-'50, Basketball '47-'48, Vice-President of Sophomore Class '48, Treasurer of Howling Host '50, High School Choir '49-'50, Operetta '49-'50, Assistant Editor of Ravelings '49, Editor of Ravelings '50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Scholastic Letter '47-'48-'49.

EDMUND THIEME: Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, F. F. A. '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

OLGA THIEME: Pep Champs '48-'49-'50, Home Ec. Club '47-'48-'49-'50, Art Club '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Operetta '49-'50.

JOHN THOMPSON: Track '49, Cross Country '49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Boys' Glee Club '49-50, Cheerleader '50, Howling Hosts '48-'49-'50, Intramural Basketball '47-'48-'49-'50, Canteen '49, Scholastic Letter '49, Ravelings Staff '49-'50, Gabfest Staff '49, Golf '49-'50, Art Club '47, Commercial Club '49-'50, Junior Rotarian '50, Spring Review '47, Operetta '49-'50, Christmas Play '49-'50, Evansville Reitz High School '47.

TOM TROUTNER: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-'48, Intramurals '47-'48-'50, St. Petersburg, Fla., High School '49, Cheer Leader '50, Sophomore Class Secretary '48.

MARILYN VANHORN: Wren High School '47, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-48, Home Ec. Club '48-'49-'50, Pep Champs '48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

DICK WERLING: Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '48-'48, Track '49, High School Chorus '49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50.

GENE ZINER: Freshman-Sophomore Chorus '47-48, Basketball '47-'48, Track '47, Football '47-'48-'49-'50, High School Choir '49-'50, Boys' Glee Club, '49-'50, Howling Hosts '47-'48-'49-'50, Spring Review '47, Operetta '49-'50, Intramural Basketball '49-'50, Ravelings Staff '48-'49-'50, Commercial Club '49-'50, Junior Rotarian '50, Christmas Play '49-'50.

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Row 3: Tom Cole, Joe Cowans, Burdette Custer, Don DeArmond, Delores Delauter, Shirley Drake, Doris Draper, Fred Evans.

Row 4: Kenneth Everette, Ervin Ewell, Eleanora Fisher, Don Foor, Marilyn Fuelling, Eleanora Gaunt, Pat Gause, Edgar Gilbert.

Row 5: Daniel Goelz, Muris Gray, Allen Grote, Pat Hess, Barbara Hilyard, Jackie Hite, Eugene Hoffman, Don Hott.

Row 6: Betty Johnson, Pat Johnson, Carol Kluseman, Virginia Koenig, Jerry Kolter, Jerry Lister, Mary Martinas, Marilyn Mauller.

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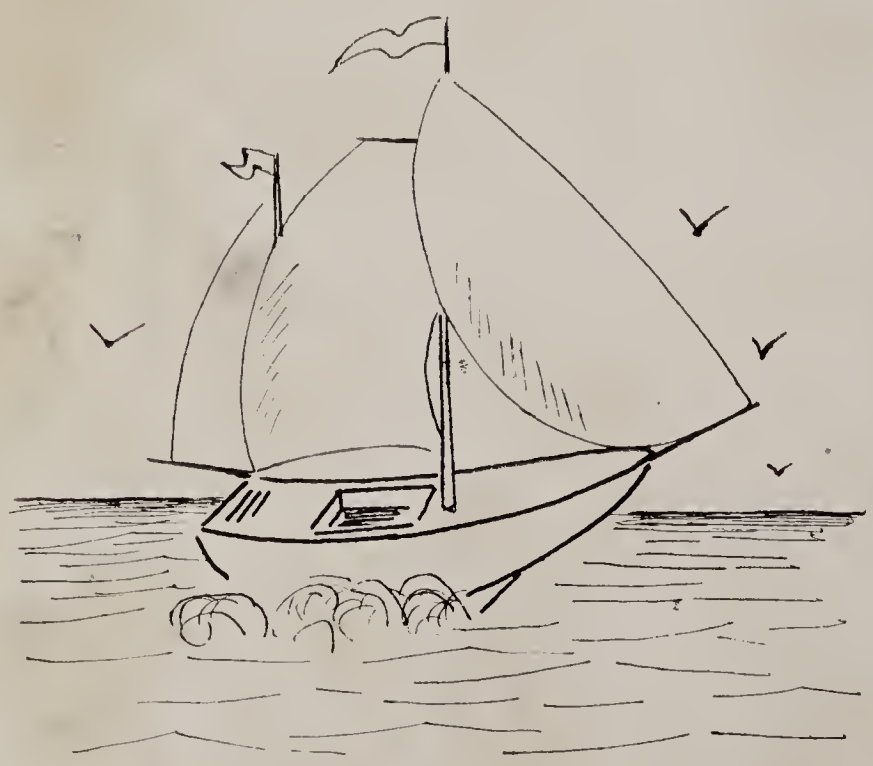

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Row 5: Carolyn Strickler, Karen Strickler, Sunya Stuckey, Shirley Sudduth, Lois Suman, Dan Thomas, Pat Theron, Bill Troutner.
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Row 2: Nanna Aurand, Bob Baker, Philip Baker, Barbara Black.

Row 3: Roger Blackburn, Carol Bowman, Lenore Brennan, Marie Bromer, Ruth Busse, Jim Carter, Tony Custer, Marvin DeBolt.

Row 4: Fred Dellinger, Nina Dick, Ted Douglas, Verlin Egly, Jim Hakes, Jim Engle, Janet Everhart, Madeline Friend.

Row 5: Dick Gaskill, Willa Mae Goelz, Jack Hart, Janet Hetrick, Janet Hott, Tom Hurst, Larry Hutker, Jim Kingsley.

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Row 3: Roger Pollock, Dick Rambo, Nora Ray, James Rowley, Cora Seitz, Don Shaffer, Janelle Sheets, Alta May Siders.

Row 4: Shirley Siders, Sammie Sipe, Janet Smith, Marlene Snyder, Byron Stitzer, Truman Sudduth, Larry Vizard, Delight Wagner.

Row 5: Bonnie Welker, Jerry Wheeler, Delores Wolfe.

Grade

Row 1: Dale Addy, Sheila Ahr, Max Ainsworth, Tom Aurand.

Row 2: Barbara Bailer, Jerry Bair, Bill Bowman, Bill Baxter.

Row 3: Raymond Call, Arthur Callow, Robert Butcher, Patricia Byrd, Roger Cookson, David Cookson, David Cooper, Dana Dalzell, Roger Daniels.

Row 4: Dorcas Davidson, Beverly Douglas, Richard DeBolt, Don Duff, Roger Dull, June Edwards, Doyle Egly, Roger Eichenauer.

Row 5: Roger Eley, Phyllis Elliott, Joyce Franklin, Don Gase, Joie Geesey, Sara Gerber, Mary Ann Gilbert, Connie Hakes.

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Row 1: Max Hilyard, Dwight Hoffman, Alvin Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Kay Johnson, Charles Judt, Roger Krick, Janice Landrum.

Row 2: Brenda Levy, Colleen Lobsiger, Larry Marker, Betty Martinas, Barbara McBride, Dwight McCurdy, Robert McCurdy, Fred McDougal.

Row 3: John McGill, Carolyn McDonald, Ervin Myers, Belva Miller, Arlene Myers, Max Myers, John Neireiter, Bob Ochsenrider.

Row 4: Jacquelyn Reidenbach, Jane Rentz, Jerry Rhodes, Hazel Roberts, Ronnie Robinson, Paul Ralston, Carol Roop, David Runyon.

Row 5: Dorcas Sautbine, Sylvester Sell, Daniel Shackley, Harlen Shaffer, Perry Sheets, Roger Sipe, Sharon Smith, Charlotte South.

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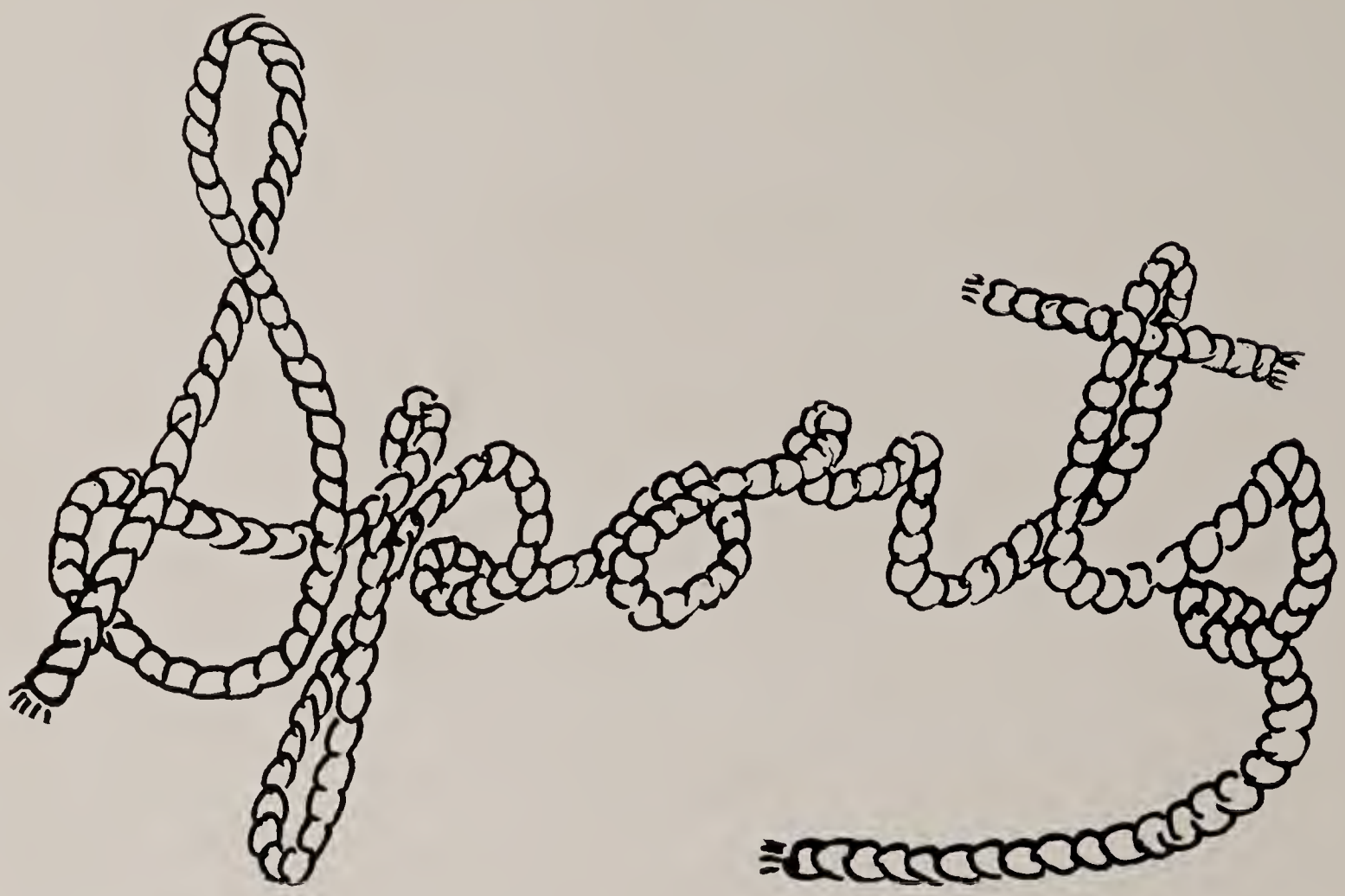

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Standing: Bob Doan, Jack Petrie, Grover Odle, Bob Lane, Keith Smallwood, Vic Strickler, George Bair, Roger Fruchte, Ralph Bollinger, Dwight Sheets, Lester Sautbine.

Kneeling: Robert McGill, John Doan, Jim Bassett, Max Myers, Don Smith, Chal Plumley, Delane Bowman, Karl Peterson, Larry Jennings, Marvin Stucky, Fred Isch, Dick Johnson.

Football

COACHES:

Bob Worthman
Hubert Zerkel
Deane Dorwin

A conference victory opened the 1950 football season for the Yellow Jacket gridders. With this 13-6 triumph over Bluffton, the arch rival of the Jackets in all sports, Decatur avenged five years of football defeat from Bluffton's Tigers.

The hard-charging Auburn Red Devils, determined to reverse last year's set-back at the hands of the Jackets, did just that with a 26-0 victory. Decatur lost the capable services of halfback Jerry Gehrig, who sustained a broken leg in the Auburn tussle.

Central's mighty Tigers were the Jackets' next foe; they proved to be a little too elusive for the hometown boys. At half-time the score was Central 6, Decatur 0. The last stanza proved that reserve strength counts, and the Tigers pushed over two more touchdowns but were stopped cold on both extra point attempts.

Convinced they could better their 1-2 standing, the Jackets moved to meet the Garrett Railroaders. The game put together two teams very evenly matched in size, but Decatur definitely had the edge in ability. This 13-6 victory proved the Jackets could come back from defeat to the victory column.

Concordia's Cadets, certainly one of the largest teams the Jackets met all year, were sent back to Fort Wayne with a 6-0 defeat. Again spirit proved the winning factor in this victory.

Every year seems to have a heartbreaker; our game at Portland was certainly it this year. After marching all over Portland's Panthers the first half and gaining a 6-0 lead, the Portland team came to life for two vital plays. The first play after the kickoff netted the Panthers a 60-yard touchdown and the next play the extra point which ultimately won the game. Staving off a Jacket rally in the final minutes, Portland won 7-6.

A safety proved the deciding margin in the New Haven game with the Yellow Jackets bringing home their last victory of the year 9-6.

Warsaw, this year's conference co-champions, used speed and smooth ball handling

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Kneeling: Jim Helm, Dan Thomas, Ronnie Murphy, Joe Cowans, Bill Troutner, David Blackburn, Ronnie Secaur.

Second row: Allen Cole, Sam Gilbert, Ed Gilbert, Paul Conrad, Bob Brokaw, Don Roop, Floyd McBride, Ned Myers, Bob Kiser, Jack Lawson.

Third Row: Gene Morrison, Tom Butler, Russ Plumley, Douglas Thompson, Merlin Johnston, Don Dale, Ralph Busse, Jerry Kolter, Ed Stocksdale, Jim Moses, Norman Pollack, Norman Schieferstein, Lysle Knittle, Bob Lobsiger.

MANAGERS:

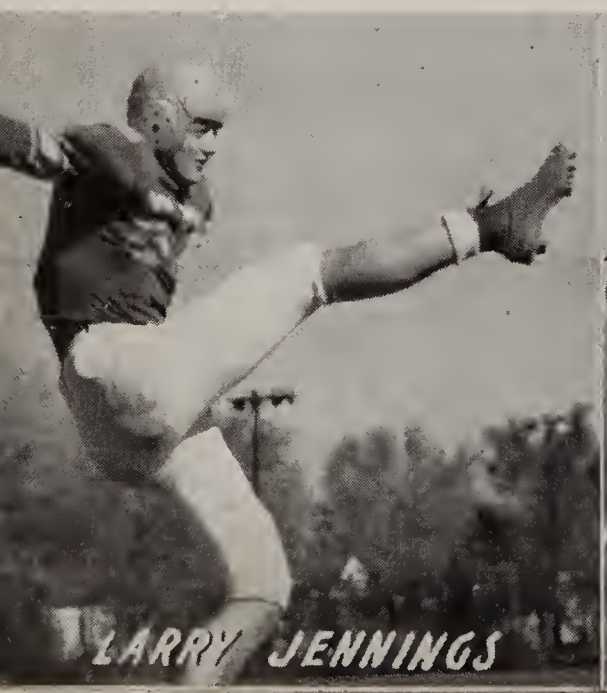
Bob Brennen
Bob Lenhart

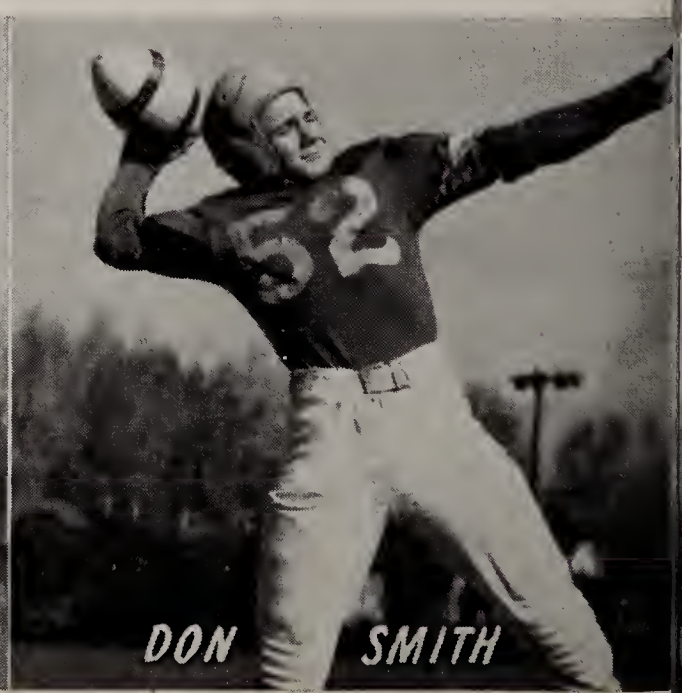
to defeat the Jackets 26-6 in a hard fought game.

The Eagles of Columbia City, another power house on the grid iron, gave the Jackets the worst trouncing of the season, 45-0. Although the Decatur lads played hard all the the way, it just wasn't their night.

In the season's final battle the Jackets moved to Hartford City to engage the Airedales, only to be turned back 12-0. Although defeated in their final effort of the season, the Decatur Yellow Jackets football team played well and hard all year. Their conference record was three won and three lost.

In closing the 1950 season the team would like to wish the team of 1951 a very successful season.





GEORGE BAIR

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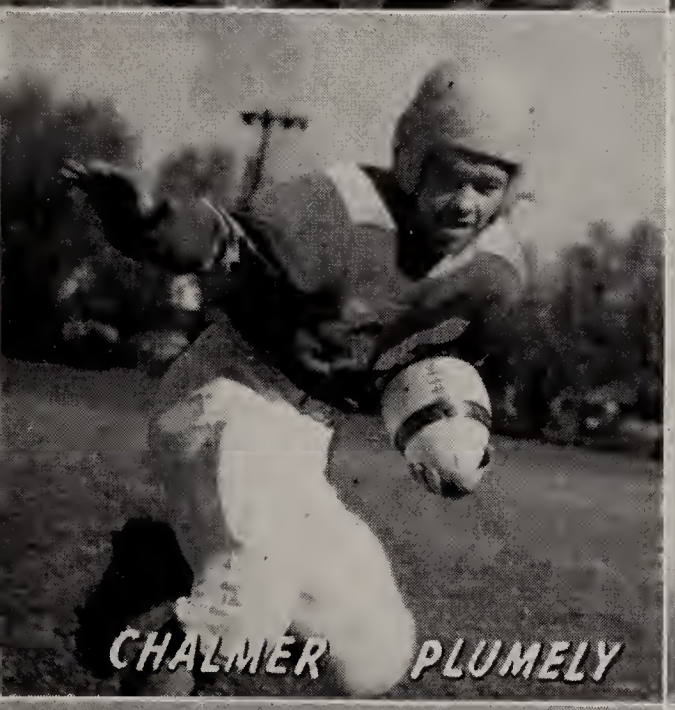
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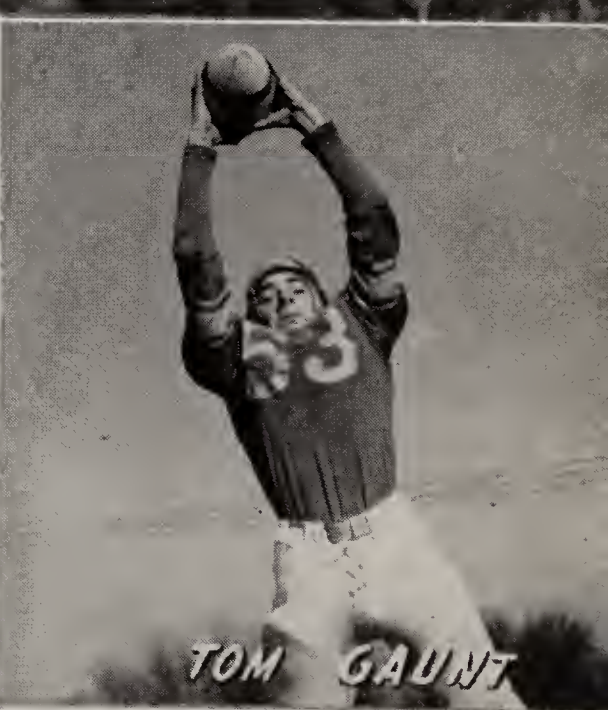
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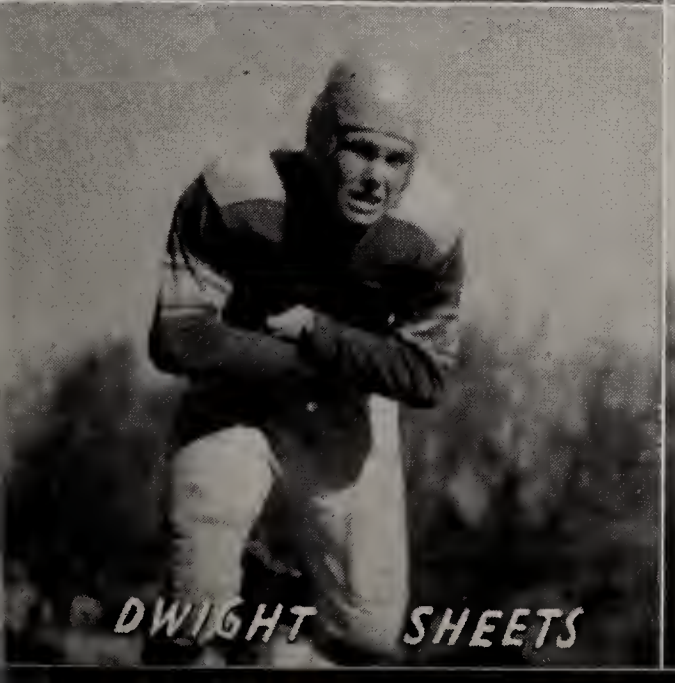
DWIGHT SHEETS

JOHN DOAN

MAX MEYERS

Front row: Lester Sautbine, Jim Moses, Keith Smallwood, Fred Isch.

Back row: Dan Mills, Max Myers, Harold Bohnke, Norman Kohne, Vic Strickler, Larry Jennings, George Bair, Jack Petrie.

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Row 1: Vic Strickler, Norman Kohne, Dan Mills.
Row 2: Jack Petrie, Lester Sautbine, Harold Bohnke.
Row 3: Keith Smallwood, Larry Jennings, Jim Moses.
Row 4: Max Myers, Fred Isch, George Bair.

Basketball

Quantity was the least worry in the minds of Coach Worthman and his able assistant, Coach Dorwin. Seventy boys reported for basketball at the season's opening: fifty boys from the freshman and sophomore classes and 20 upperclassmen comprised this group.

The lack of returning lettermen was quite a problem to solve, but through hard work and using the three returning lettermen—Bohnke, Bair, Strickler—as a nucleus the '49-'50 team was formed. Naturally it was necessary to cut the squad, regardless of how many boys were disappointed. Thirty-four of the seventy boys were kept to compose the Freshman, Second and First teams. The varsity, composed of many underclassmen, compiled a splendid season's record of 12 games won and 8 lost.

Geneva	29	Decatur	45
Bluffton	41	"	52
Berne	49	"	45
Concordia	47	"	63
New Haven	44	"	47
Dunkirk	38	"	46

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COACHES:
Bob Worthman
Dean Dorwin

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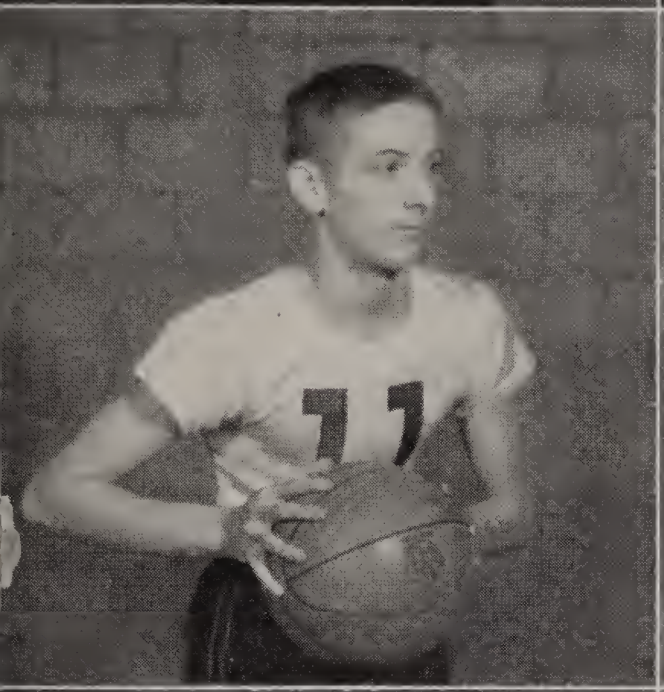
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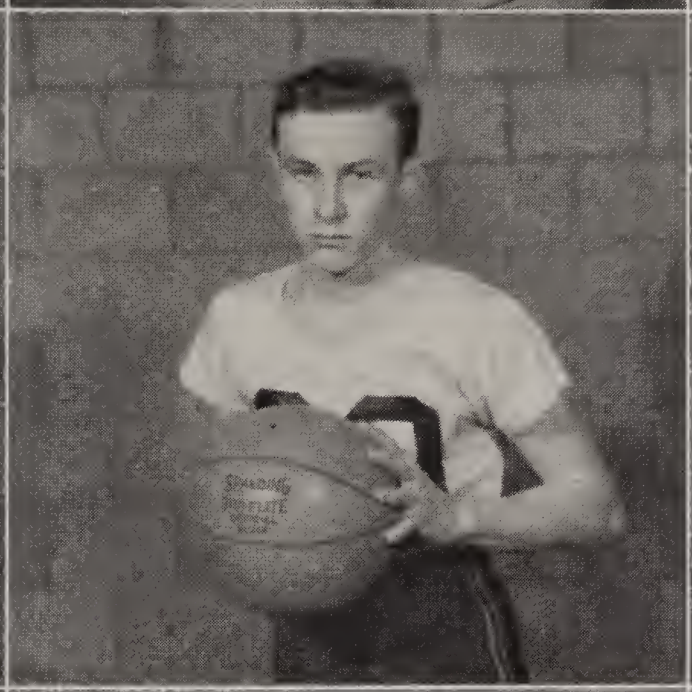

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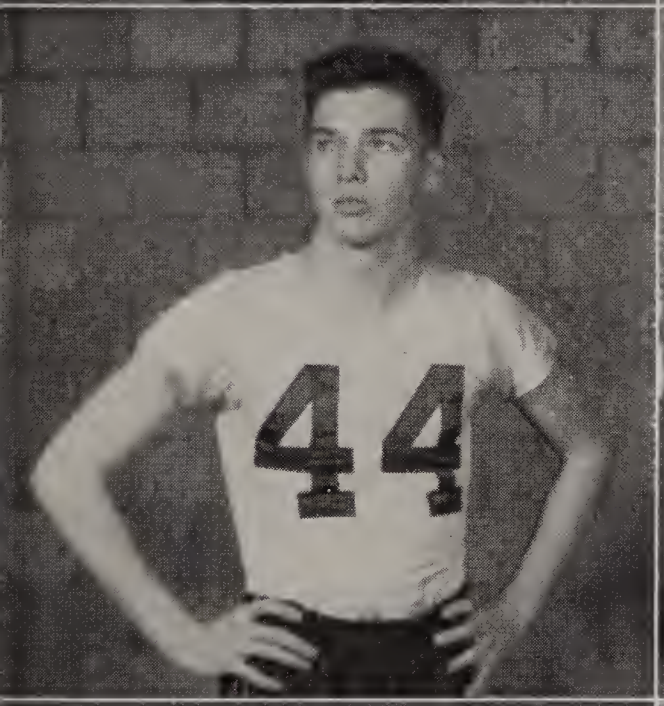
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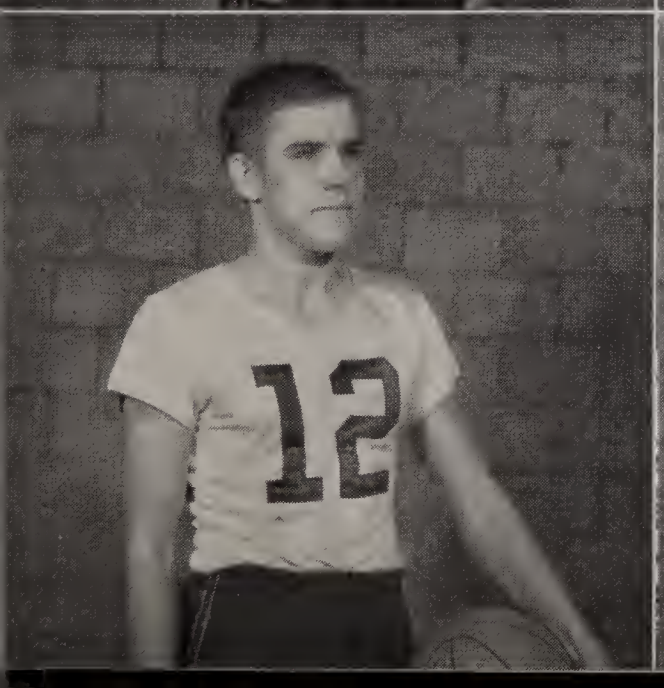
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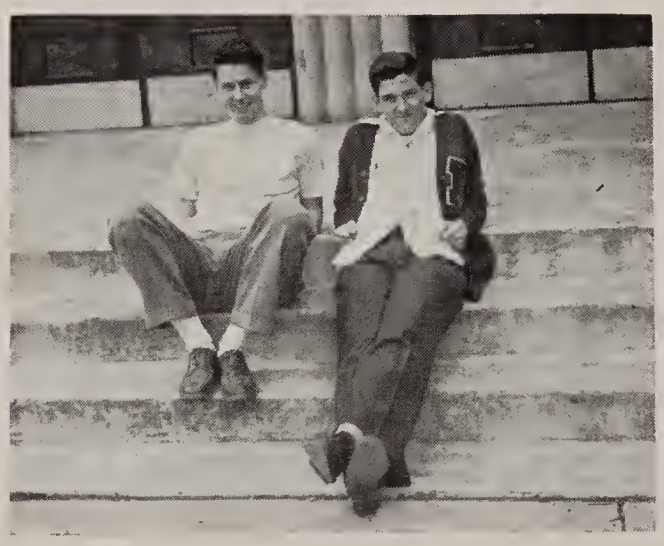
Standing: Lysle Knittle, Burdette Custer, Ed Stocksdale, Roger Fruchte, Kent Koons, Jerry Kolter, Tom Cole, Ferris Kohne, Dwight Sheets, Allen Cole, Russ Plumley.

Kneeling: Paul Conrad, Don Reinking, Jim Helm, Norman Schieferstein, Norman Pollock, Dick Duff, Tom Butler, Gene Morrison, Bob Ailerson, Bob Brokaw.

Four Team Tourney

Concordia	37	Decatur	52	
Bluffton	52	"	51	
Columbia City	68	"	61	Overtime
Warsaw	52	"	45	
C. C. of Ft. Wayne	56	"	45	
Huntington	46	"	58	
Auburn	39	"	34	
Hartford Twp.	38	"	59	
Kendallville	37	"	55	
Central of Ft. Wayne	42	"	45	
Bluffton	53	"	48	
Berne	40	"	50	
Garrett	50	"	59	
Portland	59	"	41	

The Jackets placed third in strong N.E.I.C. competition this year with Vic Strickler, our capable forward, along with Harold Bohnke, our able center, winning berths on the all-conference first and second teams respectively.

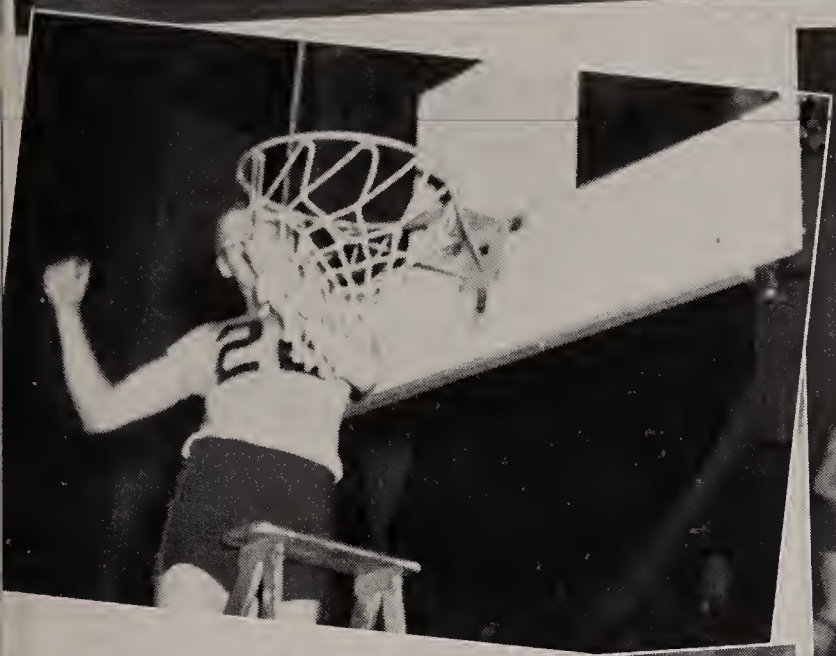


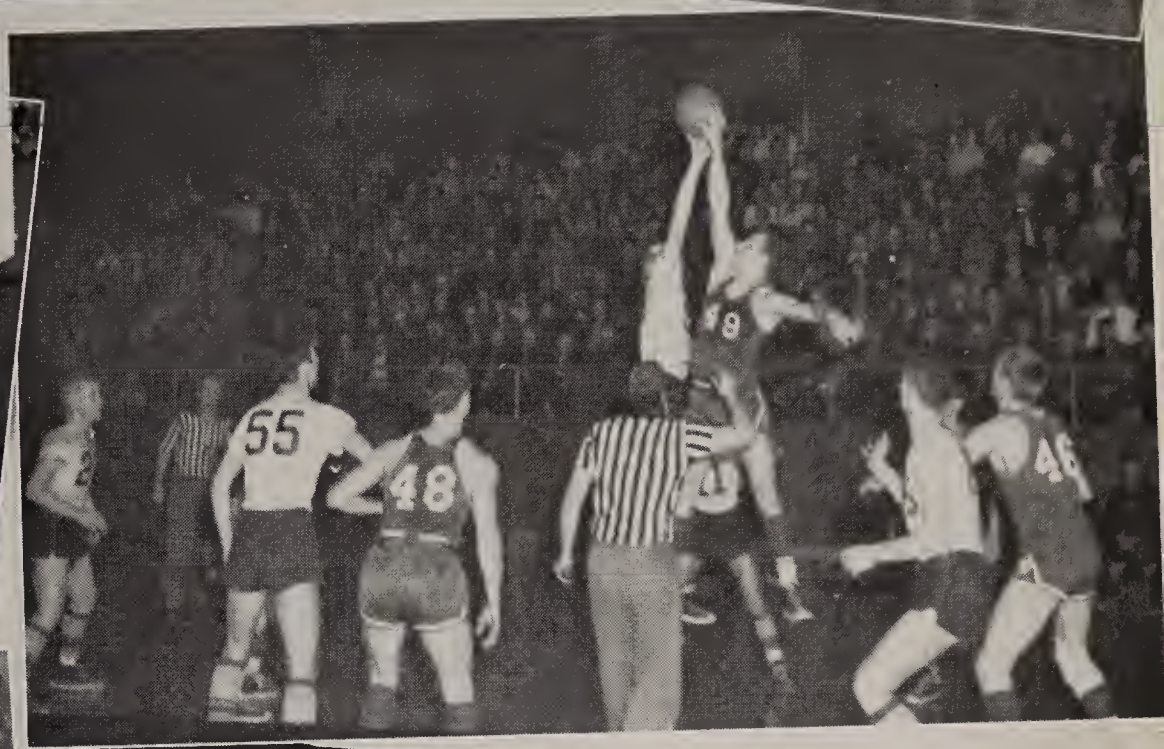
In tournament play the mighty Jackets displayed considerable power in skillfully winning their own Sectional by defeating the Decatur Commodores 58 to 44 in the final game. Larry Jennings, Vic Strickler, and Harold Bohnke won first team places on the All-sectional team. George Bair and Jack Petrie placed on the second team. In Regional play the Yellow Jackets lost their initial tilt in a heart breaking overtime battle, 62-61, to the North Side Redskins. Vic Strickler was again honored by being selected for the All-Regional team. George Bair was also honored by winning a place on the second team.

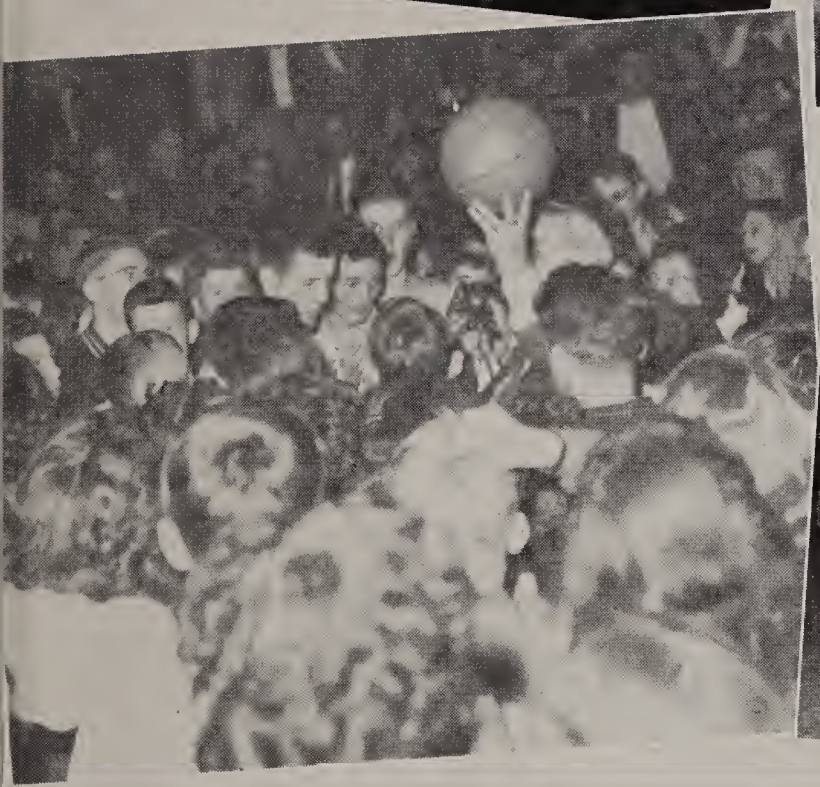
At the final basketball meeting of the season letters were awarded to Jack Petrie, Les Sautbine, Harold Bohnke, Vic Strickler, and George Bair, all of whom are juniors. One to Jim Moses, a sophomore, and to five seniors—Dan Mills, Larry Jennings, Keith Smallwood, Max Myers, and Fred Isch. Victor Strickler and Harold Bohnke were elected Honorary co-captains.

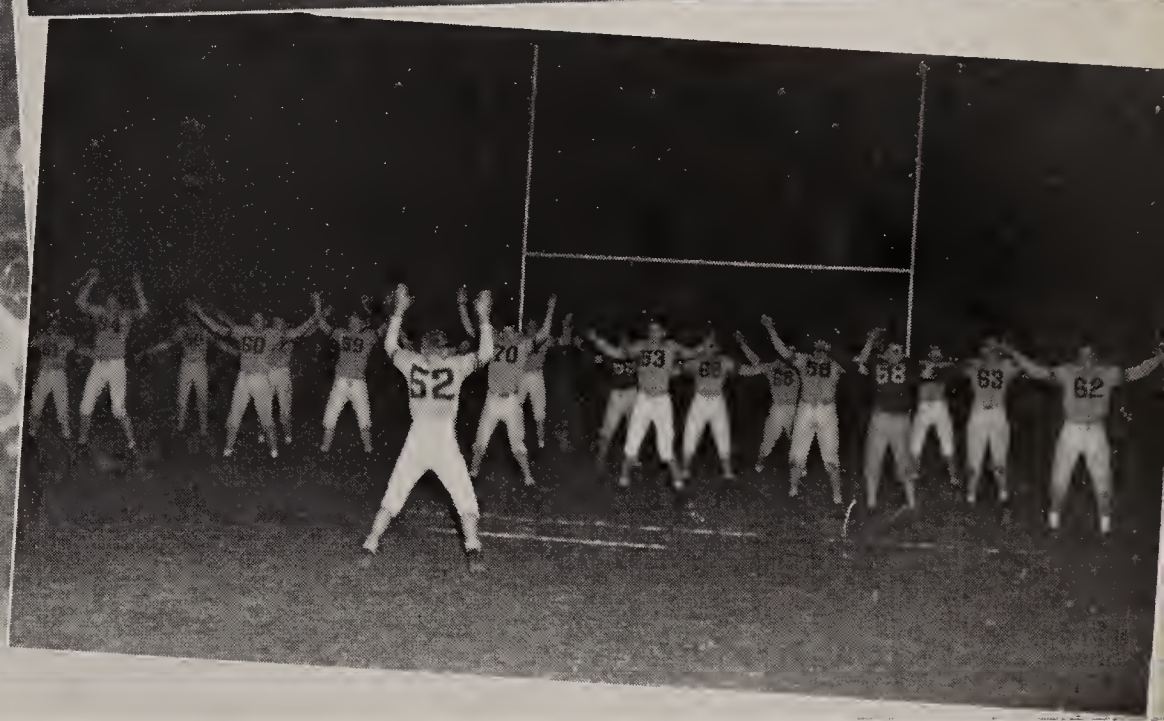
With the end of another year we wish to congratulate the team of 1950 for a swell season and wish the team of 1951 "lots o' luck."

MANAGERS:
Marvin Stucky
Grover Odle









Sport Snaps

Back Row: Ronnie Murphy, Jim Moses, Keith Smallwood, Ralph Busse, Vic Strickler, Harold Bohnke, Jack Petrie, Lysle Knittle, Kenneth Nash, Norman Pollock.

Front Row: Eddie Stocksdale, Don Smith, Chalmer Plumley, Lester Sautbine, Tom Butler, Richard Duff, Paul Conrad, Don Reinking, Rus Plumley, Grover Odle.

Baseball

Our baseball team was met with unusually bad weather this year. The day of a game Mr. Dorwin would say, "We will have a game today provided that it doesn't rain, hail, snow, or freeze us out."

The Jackets, winning the N.E.I.C. title last year, are looking forward to protecting the championship this year. The team will try to uphold its record of nine championships out of eleven attempts for the N.E.I.C. title. However, the Jackets will have difficulty improving last year's record of 13 victories and one defeat.

Although being hard hit by the graduation of six regulars, Mr. Dorwin is rebuilding the team and giving them the fighting spirit which he has so capably instilled in the past seasons. The lettermen back this year include: C. Plumley, M. Myers, D. Smith, H.

COACH:

Dean Dorwin

Bohnke, V. Strickler, T. Butler, and J. Moses. Other boys who made the squad are shown and named in the picture.

A good schedule has been arranged with the following teams: Geneva, Berne (2), Anderson (2), Bluffton (N.E.I.C.), Marion (2), New Haven (N.E.I.C.), Warsaw (N.E.I.C.) and Huntington. The games that have been played have given the Jackets a 50-50 average. They split a double header with Anderson, lost to Geneva, and defeated Berne.

Track and

Coach Bob Worthman and Assistant Coach Harry Dailey issued the annual call for track men and 57 aspirants reported. Of the 57 prospects who reported 9 were lettermen from last year. These boys were: Roger Johnson, Dan Mills, Richard Peterson, Dick Johnson, George Bair, Dick Winteregg, Marvin Stucky, Jerry Gehrig, and Bob Doan. Roger Johnson and Dan Mills are the four-year lettermen on the year's squad. Roger Johnson was the defending N.E.I.C. Conference champion in the half mile.

The Jackets track squad placed sixth at the Goashea Relays out of a field of 23 teams. The Decatur lads placed 6th in the N.E.I.C. Meet with Roger Johnson winning the 440 yard dash. Dan Mills placing second in the 100 yd. dash and Bob Doan finishing 4th in the mile run.

This Year's Schedule

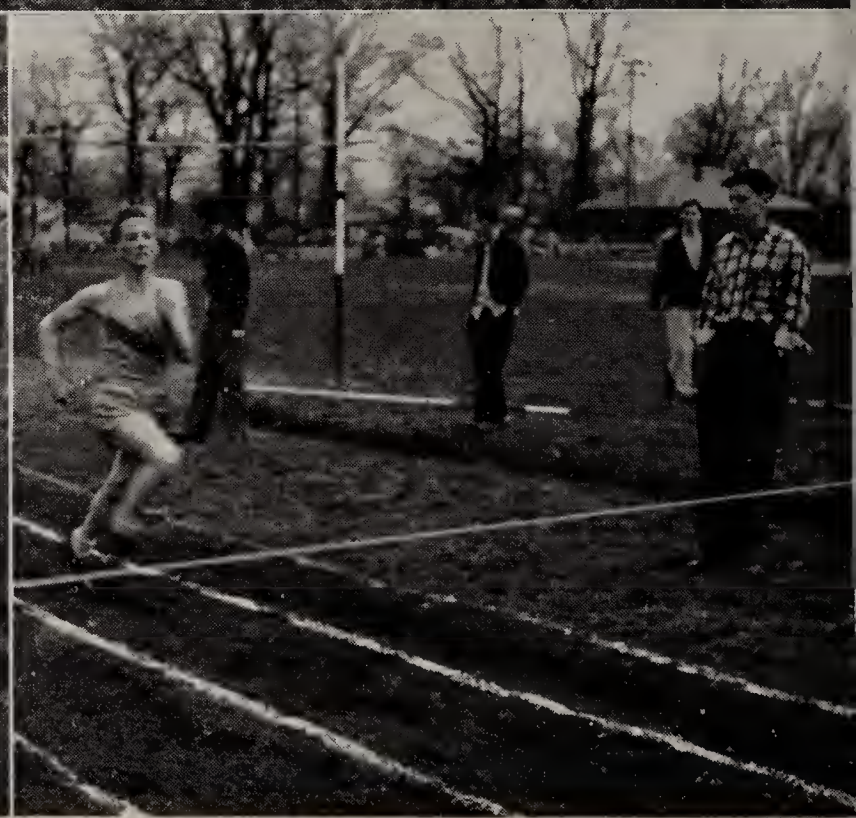
Decatur, Berne and Bluffton	1st.
Decatur and Columbia City	2nd
Decatur, Huntington, and Warsaw	2nd
Decatur and Garrett	2nd
Goshea Relays (23 teams)	6th.
Conference Meet	6th.
County Meet	1st.

Future Events

Decatur and Concordia
Decatur, Concordia, C. C., and Central
Sectional at Ft. Wayne

Ravelings wishes to congratulate the coaches and team on a splendid season and wish them luck next year. So with another year rolling by, we say, "So-long seniors," and "Welcome underclassmen."

Back Row: Dwight Sheets, Delane Bowman, Jerry Gehrig, George Bair, Roger Fruchte, Dick Winteregg, Dick Johnson, Roger Johnson, Dan Mills, Marvin Stucky, Tom Gaunt.
Middle Row: David Owens, Jerry Kolter, Palmer Johnson, Floyd McBride, Bob Brennen, Ralph Bollinger, Curtis Jones, Bob Strickler, Bob Doan, John Brunner, Norman Schieferstein, Douglas Thompson, Roger Cole.
Front Row: Bob Wolfe, Ronnie Secaur, Jim Helm, Dan Thomas, Ferris Kohne, Bob Lobsiger, Allen Cole, Bob Brokaw, Roger McDonald, Bob Wiser, James Ritter, Kent Koons.



Standing: Ferris Kohne, John Thompson, David Owens, Dan Mills, Norman Kohne, Roger Cole, Kent Koons, Dick Winteregg, Tom Cole.
Kneeling: Jerry Carter, Bob Strickler, Roger Johnson, Clarence Cotteral, Curtis Jones, Palmer Johnson, Don Reinking, Bob Ailerson.

Cross Country

Cross Country has advanced from an embryo of 1947 to its increasing popularity of this year. Our respect and encouragement go to the coach, Mr. Dailey, and to the fleet-footed and determined boys.

The boys displayed their determination by defeating five out of seven of their opponents. They defeated Garrett, Fort Wayne Central, Fort Wayne Central Catholic, Angola, and Union Township.

Decatur was defeated twice during its regular schedule. The defeats came from two very good teams—South Side of Fort Wayne and Kendallville. Decatur lost the N.E.I.C. meet to Kendallville by one lone point. They were not discouraged for they placed fifth of the ten teams entered in the Sectional at Fort Wayne.

COACHES: Harry Dailey Bob Worthman

They were paced by Roger Johnson, their captain. Roger, a four-year letterman, won top honors in the N.E.I.C. meet and the Sectional meet. Roger then entered into the state finals and placed 22nd.

The lettermen were: seniors; Roger Johnson, Clarence Cottrell, John Thompson, and Dan Mills. The juniors were Dick Winteregg, Palmer Johnson, and Bob Doan. The freshmen were Kent Koons and Don Reinking.

Several boys look like good prospects for next year. They are Carter, Ailerson, Kohne, Cole, Owens, and Jones.

The team will lose some outstanding men but we know it will produce some outstanding ones next year.

Upper left
Back Row: Marilyn Hoblet, Amy Lou Reynolds
Middle Row: Donna Kirchenbauer, Beverly Lister, Dianne Linn, Nancy Callow, Agnes Werst
Front Row: Sandra Barr, Margaret Harris, Saralynsu Braden

Upper Right
Back Row: Carolyn Alger, Bonnie Ailerson, Eleanor Gaunt, Pauline Roth, Winnie Miller, Eleanora Fisher
Front Row: Jackie Hite, Rita Butcher, Pat Gause

Lower Left
Back Row: Helen Smallwood, Marilyn Vanhorn, Ann Garner, Barbara Beehler
Front Row: Alice Fisher, Sue Baughn, Phyllis Reef, Ruth Gaskill

Lower right
Back Row: Marilyn Robinson, Sunya Stucky, Shirley Fuelling, Marilyn Jaberg, Karen Striker
Front Row: Rosemary Hetrick, Sharlene Lehman, Barbara Coe, Lois Strahm

Girls' Athletics

Once again as we look into the athletic scene, we come to the section on girls' sports. Miss Walters, the girls' able instructor, provides a variety of activities during the periods of the day. Volley ball, kick ball, deck tennis, red, white, and blue, tug-o-war, dodge ball are a few of the games enjoyed by the girls. Of course, we musn't forget the routine of calisthentics with its rhythmic 1-2-3 str-r-re-ee-tch, up-down, right-left.

Later in the season, however, when the basketball craze rolls around, the girls put all else aside and take an active part in this sport. An intramural league was organized and games were played in the evenings. As the basketball season drew to an end, a class tourney was organized with the juniors coming out as the victors, winning over the seniors in the final game.

Spring is here and Miss Walters takes her classes out-of-doors to Worthman Field or Lincoln playground where softball or tennis are played. Archery, a new activity in our school, is being looked forward to with much enthusiasm.

Top Left—Back Row: John Doan, Kenneth Nash, Luther Schrock
Front Row: Ed Marbach, Merlin Johnston
Top Right—Back Row: John Frank, David Sheets, Roger Cole, Bob Lenhart
Front Row: Dick Reidenbach, Clair Reynolds, Ned Myers
Middle Left—Back Row: Leroy Walters, Dick Johnson, Roger Johnson
Middle Row: Wilford Norris, Bob Lane
Front Row: Norman Andrews, Delane Bowman, Bob Strickler
Middle Right—Back Row: Bud Sheets, Bob Grey, Jim Bassett, John Thompson
Front Row: Bob Lobsiger, Maurice Frey, Bill Callow
Bottom Left—Back Row: Tom Troutner, Grover Odle, Gene Ziner, Ralph Busse
Front Row: Bruce Macy, Paul Conrad, Neil Hesher
Bottom Right—Back Row: Tom Gaunt, Kenneth Strahm, Clarence Cotteral
Front Row: Don Smith, Russell Plumley

Intramurals Heavyweight

Upper Left—Back Row: Charles Judt, Larry Vizard, Verlin Egly, Harlan Schaffer
Front Row: Doyle Egly, Don Schaffer, Neal Keller
Upper Right—Back Row: Dick Gaskill, Richard Debolt, John Hammond, Jerry Rhodes, David Halterman, Don Lehman.
Middle Left—Back Row: Paul Andrews, John Neireiter, David Uhrick, Tom Aurand, Byron Stitzer
Middle Right—Back Row: Ted Douglas, Bill Lewis, Max Myers, Roger Cookson, David Runyon
Front Row: Dan Shackley, Tony Custer, James Rowley
Bottom Left—Back Row: Dick Rambo, Clifford Hopkins, Marvin Debolt
Front Row: Harold Norris, Dwight McCurdy
Bottom Right—Back Row: Bill Bauman, Harold Vanhorn, Jerry Johnson
Front Row: Robert McCurdy, Larry Hutker, David Cooper

Intramurals Junior High

Top Left—Back Row: Bob Black, Tom Cole, Lysle Knittle
Middle Row: Jack Chilcoat, Ronald Price, Carl Johnson, Bob Kiser
Front Row: Dick Duff, Bill Kocher, Bill Troutner

Top Right—Back Row: Jack Lawson, Allen Cole, Bill Roe, Roger McDonald
Front Row: Donald Secaur, Sam Gilbert, Jerry Carter

Bottom Left—Top Row: Don Metzger, Ronald Murphy, Jim Nelson
Bottom Row: Jack McDonald, Don Foor

Bottom Right—Top Row: Doug Thompson, Bob Brennen, Dan Goelz
Bottom Row: Bob Nelson, Dan Thomas, John Brunner

Intramurals Lightweight

Back Row: James Carter, Bill Hancher, James Rowley, Phil Krick, Roger Blackburn, Roger Pollock
Front Row: Don Aurand, Jerry Bair, Larry Vizard, James Engle, Fred McDougal, Robert Baker.

Sylvester Everhart, Coach

Junior High

The junior jackets met with many tough opponents this year. The result was, of course, on the gloomy side. Even with this bad record, they are not to be criticized.

Coach Everhart, with good prospects in mind, is looking forward to a better season next year. The following boys were named as probable prospects: Bair, McDougal, and Hancher along with several other boys from this year's second team. With these boys in mind Coach Everhart again expects to put out a good team.

Junior High Basketball

Jr. High	22	Hoagland	16	won
" "	12	Bluffton	19	lost
" "	32	Pleasant Mills	25	won
" "	18	Geneva	22	lost
" "	21	Monmouth	22	lost
" "	14	St. Joe	28	lost
" "	31	Berne	27	won
" "	25	Hartford	27	lost
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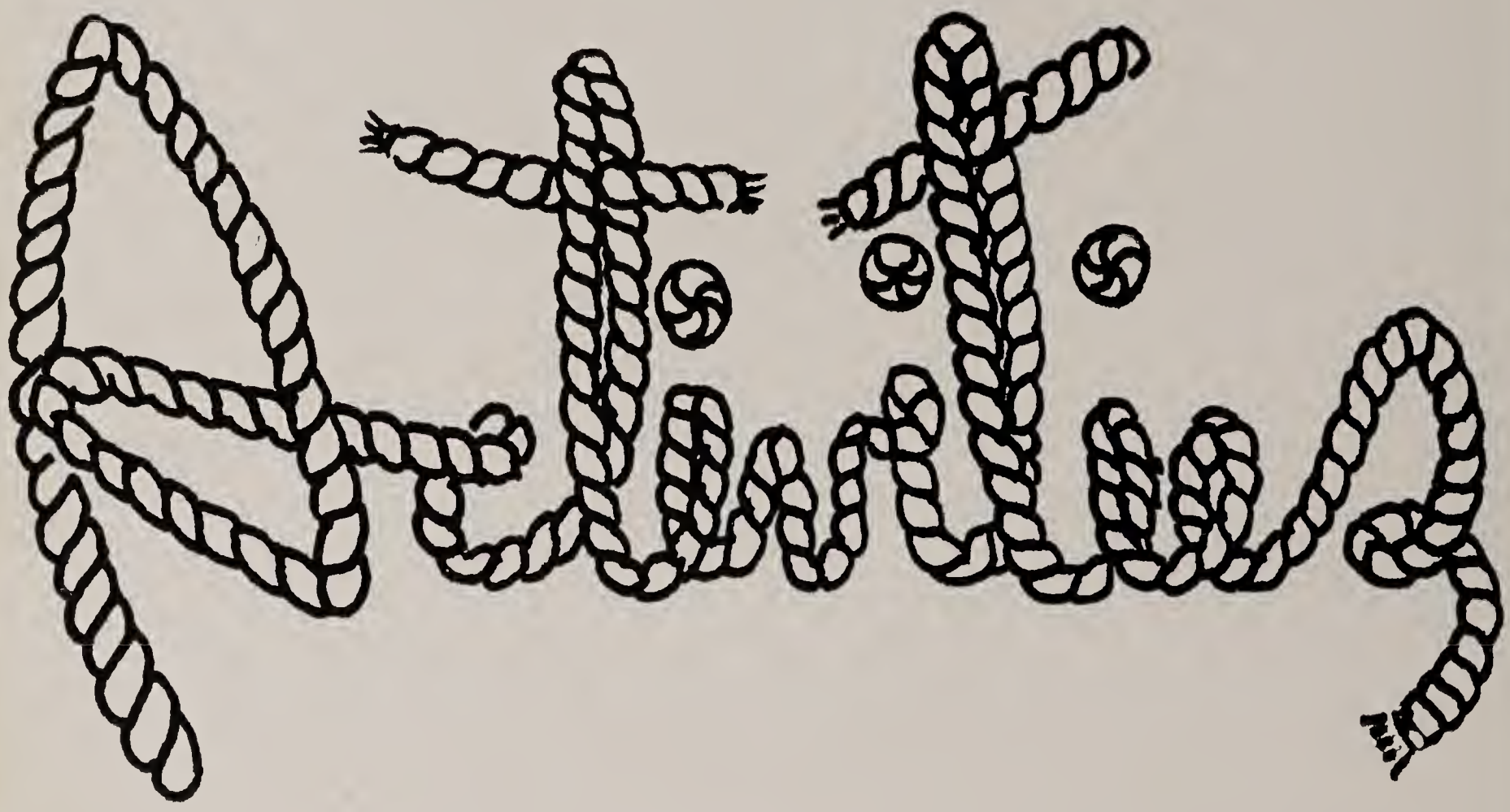
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Bottom Row—John Thompson, Art Editor; Grace Call, Assistant Art Editor

Advisors: Lowell J. Smith, Kathryn Kauffman, Dale W. Ross

Top Row—John Doan, boy's sports editor; Colleen Heller, girls' sports editor; Harold Bohnke, assistant sports editor; Marilyn Mauller, assistant business manager; Gene Ziner, business manager; Frances Morris, assistant business manager.

Bottom Row—Janet Ruck, Phyllis Kohler, Kathryn Goldner, copy editors; Jim Lake, assistant snap shot editor; Barbara Beehler, photography editor; Ann Deitsch, assistant photography editor; Dave Cole, snap shot editor

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Row 2: Clarence Cotteral, Norman Kohne, Kaye Runyon, Tom Gaunt, Colleen Heller, Fred Isch, Grace Call, Barbara Morrison
Row 3: Edna Moyer, Sue Baughn, Jim Bassett, Bill Callow, Merlin Johnston, Ned Myers, Sam Gilbert, Jim Johnson

Color Wheel

The Art Club is one of the most active clubs in school. When any decorating is to be done or props to be made, Miss Kauffman and her Art Club are called upon. The club organized by first electing officers. They are Norma Brown, president, Norman Kohne, vice-president, and Jim Bassett, secretary-treasurer.

Soon Christmas time rolled around and the first of many projects for the Art Club began. The stained glass window had to be repaired and the stage setting arranged. The top corner windows in the north of the building were docorated with scenes from the Christmas story. This is an annual tradition at D.H.S. which the Art Club enjoys to carry on.

Sectional tourney time came and we painted a sign for each participating school with its respective colors.

Another important project that keeps everyone busy is the background and other scenery for our operetta, "Princess of Virginia."

Prom time shows the juniors of the Art Club busy working on decorations and trying to keep it a secret.

Of course the Art Club doesn't work for nothing. They made pompoms and gold and purple streamers to wave at the Regional. They sold them; with the profit they enjoyed a delightful party.

OFFICERS:
Norma Brown—President
Norman Kohne—Vice-president
Jim Bassett—Secretary-Treasurer

OFFICERS:

Sue Baughn—President
Betty Lehrman—Vice-president
Winona Miller—Secretary
Virginia Koenig—Treasurer

Home Economics

The Home Economics Club was reorganized at the beginning of the school year under the supervision of Miss Newcomb.

The first activity of the club was to sell hot dogs, popcorn, pop, and coffee to the football fans on those chilly nights at Worthman Field.

The annual assembly program consisted of "The Ambassador Male Quartet" which proved quite entertaining.

The more enthusiastic members prepared and served six banquets during the year.

The Home Economics girls were kept busy learning the various tasks of homemaking. During the year the various classes consisted of planning, preparing, and serving meals; selecting, making, and caring for clothing; furnishing the home; understanding young children; and managing time, energy, and money in the home.

The finale of the club was the Mother's Tea where the members of the class modeled before their mothers and guests the garments they had made in class.

Row 1: Edna Moyer, Eileen Thime, Delores Thieme, Betty Lehrman, Sue Baughn, Alice Fisher, Marilyn VanHorn
Row 2: Waneta Weldy, Esther Bleeke, Sharon Strickler, Shirley Workinger, Carolyn Hakes, Shirley Drake, Pauline Roth, Eleanora Gaunt, Betty Johnson, Jane Rayer
Row 3: Louise Johnson, Ruth Gaskill, Beverly Elliot, Frances Hess, Phyllis Barr, Alice Slusher, Virginia Koenig, Winona Miller

Speech

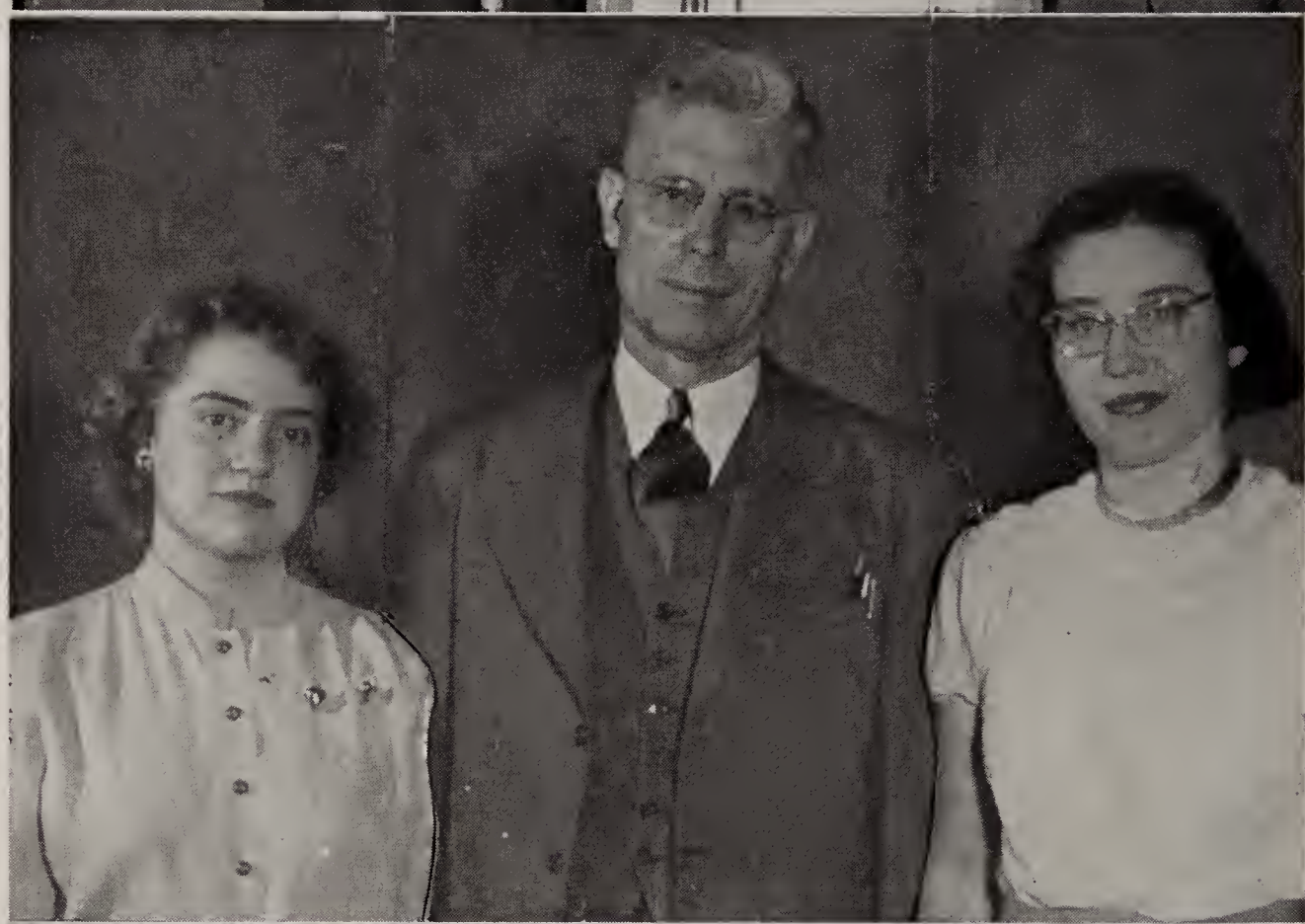
Under the capable supervision of Mr. Dorwin, we speech students at Decatur are given excellent chances to put our classroom training into practical use.

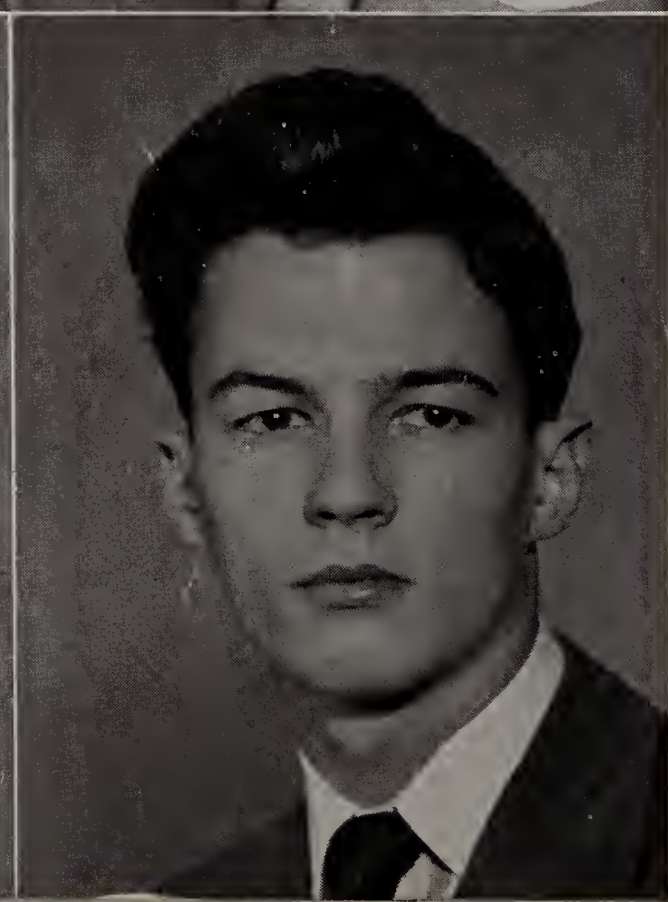
Again this year we had eliminations for the American Legion Oratorical Contest. Nine members of the class partcipated, and from this group the very capable Margaret Harris was chosen to represent us in the county contest. Although she didn't win the contest, she gave a fine speech, and we are all proud of Margaret.

We have several boys entering the Rotary Discussion Contest this year. We are sure that all the boys will do a fine job.

Our class again appeared on two Junior Town Meetings this year. The four speakers were Barbara Beehler, Marvin Stucky, Phyllis Kohler, and John Doan. These programs gave the class the experience of being on the radio as well as speaking for a large crowd. The discussions were interesting and the programs successful.

Several students have presented programs for the Lions Club and the Women's Club, and we presented two assemblies during the Legion Contest. All of these programs have been wonderful experiences for those who participated, and we all owe Mr. Dorwin a "thank you" for his help.





Commercial Club

The Commercial Club, composed of students with at least two years' work in the commercial department, was organized again this year. At the first meeting the following officers were elected: Kathryn Goldner, president; Phyllis Kohler, vice-president; Helen Smallwood, secretary; and Tom Gaunt, treasurer.

The biggest project of the year for the Commercial Club is issuing the **Gab Fest.** The articles are written by the students of the high school, and are then passed to the Commercial department. The articles are edited by our capable supervisor, Mr. Hetrick, and are then typed. All the typing and mimeographing is done in the classes by students. In this way we can put our typing skill into practical use.

We wish Mr. Hetrick and his future Commercial Clubs much success in their future undertakings.

OFFICERS: Helen Smallwood—Secretary; Kathryn Goldner—President; Phyllis Kohler—Vice-President; Tom Gaunt—Treasurer.

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Fourth Row: Jerry Gehrig, Lois Werling, Agnes Werst, Dick Johnson, Bill Kocher, Kaye Runyon, Leonard Egly, Kenneth Strahm, Bruce Macy, Norman Kohne.
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Fourth Row: Edna Moyer, Gloria Duff, Shirley Mitchel, Evelyn Rash, Jane Barber, Carol Roeder, Jean Barber, Janet Seitz, Sunya Robinson

Howling Hosts

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Middle Row: Clarence Cottrell, Norman Kohne, Keith Smallwood, Leonard Egly, Bob McGill, Kenny Strahm, David Sheets, Dick Johnson, Jerry Gehrig, Bruce Macy.

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2nd Picture

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Middle Row: Fred Evans, Ed Marbach, Ronald Price, Gene Morrison, Leroy Walters, Kent Koons, Tom Cole, Dick Reidenbach, Jim Moses, Henry Lehrman.

Bottom Row: Daniel Goetz, Allen Cole, Don Reinking, Lester Myers, Eugene Hoffman, John Bronner, Luther Schrock, Jack Lawson, Russ Plumley, Don Metzger.

3rd Picture:

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Bottom Row: Bob Lobsiger, Norman Andrews, Jim Nelson, Bob Nelson, David Blackburn, Burdette Custer, Don Hott, Allen Grote, Douglas Ramba, Roger McDonald.

4th Picture

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Middle Row: Dick Winteregg, David Owens, Bud Sheets, Curtis Jones, Ervin Ewell, Ed Swager, Ralph Bolinger, Kenneth Nash, Bill Kocher, Paul Conrad.

Bottom Row: John Thompson, Bill Callow, John Doan, Clair Reynolds, Tom Troutner, Jim Basset, Bob Lane, Grover Odle, Edmund Thieme, Paul Busse.

OFFICERS:

President—Fred Isch

Vice President—George Bair

Secretary—Delane Bowman

Treasurer—Marvin Stucky

Pep Champs

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Middle Row: Leah Andrews, Lois Moyer, Edna Moyer, Gloria Duff, Joan Andrews, Nancy Callow, Beverly Lister, Lois Suman, Carolyn Strickler, Shirley Workinger.

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Last Row: Ruth Morgan, Barbara Sauer, Rosemary Schwartz, Colleen Heller, Phyllis Kohler, Jane Brumley, Eloise Feasel, Betty Rose, Barbara Beehler, Ann Garner.

OFFICERS:

Rosemary Schwartz—President

Harriet Gerber—Vice-President

Carolyn Alger—Secretary

Shirley Fuelling—Treasurer

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Row 4: Evelyn Bleeke, Arlene Dersch, Marilyn Hoblet, Betty Rose, Harriet Gerber, Ann Garner, Keith Smallwood, Fred Isch, Jim Bassett, Kenneth Nash.
Row 5: Phyllis Reef, Amy Lou Reynolds, Bob Lane, John Doan, John Thompson, Tom Gaunt, Richard Werling, David Owens, Harold Bohnke, Vic Strickler.

High School

This year's D. H. S. Choir, under the direction of Miss Helen Haubold, consisted of 70 voices. Officers elected by the choir were: president, Victor Strickler; vice-president, Robert Doan; secretary, Robert Lenhart; treasurer, Robert Strickler. The accompanist was Pauline Lobsiger.

The choir participated in various activities during the year. Their first public program was the annual choral concert presented on November 22. They also sang for a service during Spiritual Emphasis Week in November.

During December the choir presented appropriate music for the Christmas program at school on December 18. An ensemble from

Row 1: Doris Krueckeberg, Betty Lehrman, Janet Seitz, Helen M owery, Evelyn Rash.
Row 2: Jack Petrie, Bill Kocher, Don Smith, Barbara Sauer, Eloise Feasel, Agnes Werst.
Row 3: Delane Bowman, Helen Smallwood, Carol Roeder, Ruth Morgan, Mary Ann Owens.
Row 4: George Bair, Bob Lenhart, Dick Johnson, Ann Deitsch, Margaret Harris, Rosemary Schwartz, Norma Brown.
Row 5: Marvin Stucky, Leonard Egly, Dan Mills, Max Myers, Dianne Linn, Phyllis Kohler, Sue Baughn.

Choir

the choir appeared at the Rotary Club, Lion's Club, and Lincoln School in Christmas programs.

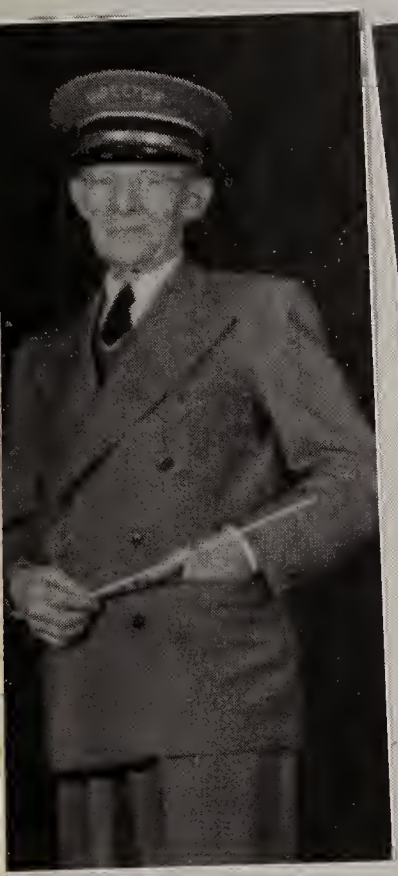
On April 14 the choir sponsored an assembly program presented by the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music at which time the new piano was dedicated. On April 27 and 28 the operetta, "Princess of Virginia," was given.

At the close of the year the choir presented music for Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises.

Helen Haubold, Directress
Pauline Lobsiger, Accompanist

OFFICERS:

Bob Lenhart—Secretary
Bob Strickler—Treasurer
Vic Strickler—President
Bob Doan—Vice-President



Band

Oh! Ah! There goes "Selly's" whistle. "Come on Kids, it's time to go up to the Music Room for band practice."

The D. H. S. Band has practice every Monday night at 7:15 and the sixth period every Tuesday.

The band played at the Sectional Tournament; the Drum Corps played at the football games and one night during the tourney. The people held their breaths as Lois White threw her flaming baton into the air as she led the drum corps at Worthman Field. Lois also twirled at some of the basketball games as a special event—and a special event it was. The two small twirlers with their colored batons added a lot, too.

The Band had its annual chicken dinner that "Selly" gives for them. They participated in the parade at the Bluffton Street Fair and the Decatur Callithumpian parade. They sponsored two dances, also. They had their annual school concert May 10.

Weekly summer concerts are being planned.

The band officers this year are:

President—Lois White

Vice President—Pauline Lobsiger

Treasurer-Secretary—Francis Morris

Sergeant at Arms—Rosemary Hetrick

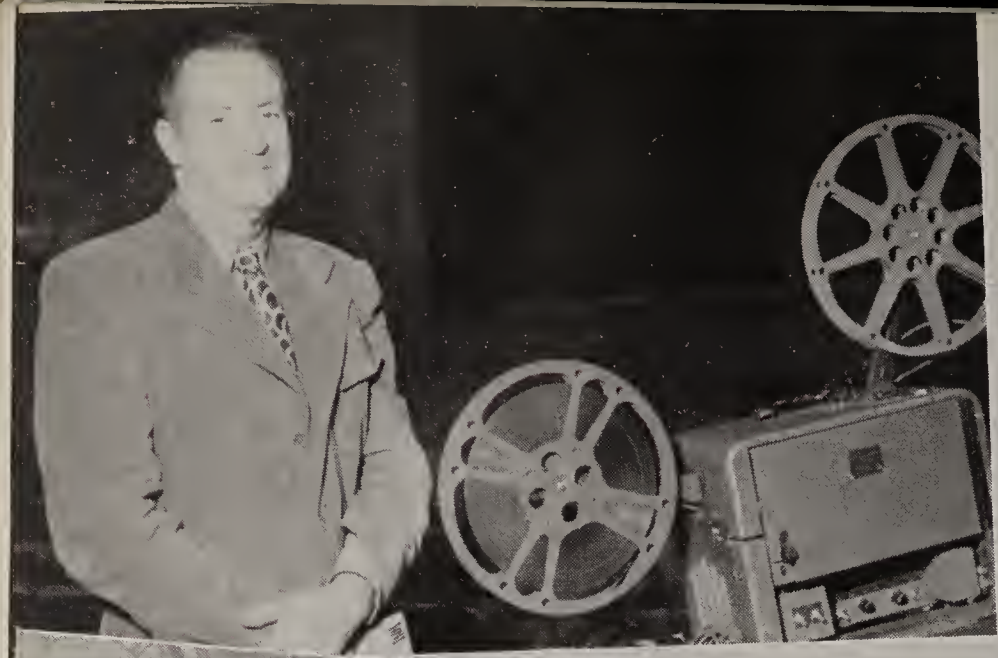
Director—Mr. Albert Sellemeyer

Top Left:Cornets
Back Row: Sally Ahr, Saralynsu Braden, Jackie Hite, Ronald Murphy, Jack Lawson, Ronnie Secaur.
Front Row: Sharleen Lehman, Gaynell Lankenau, Bill Troutner, Jerry Johnson.
Top Right: Clarinets.
Back Row: Janet Hott, Marilyn Jaberg, Marilyn Hoblet, Ann Deitsch, Carol Elzy, Janet Smith.
Front Row: Evelyn Rash, Sunya Robinson, Rosemary Hetrick, Marilyn Kirchenbauer.
Middle Left: Albert Sellemeyer—Director.
Back Row: David Owens, Harriet Gerber, Kenneth Nash,—Drums.
Front Row: Pauline Lobsiger, Bell Lyre, Doris Krueckeberg—Flute. Mary Ann Owens,—Drums.
Middle Back:
Right: Shirley Fuelling—French Horn—Bruce Macy, Frances Morris—Saxaphone.
Front Row: Mary Ann Swearingen, Marvene Krick—French Horns—Donna Kirchenbauer—Saxaphone.
Bottom Left: Trombones
Carolyn McDougal—Trombone—Luther Schrock—Tuba—Dan Thomas—Baritone—Jean Ann Potts—Trombone.
Front Row: Don Smith, Helen Mowery, Ronnie Robinson—Trombones.
Baton Twirlers: Carol Baumgartner, Lois White, Pat Treon.

Operetta

Princess of Virginia

Christmas Program



Assembly

Dick Winteregg Is Track Squad Captain

Decatur high school athletic director Bob Worthman today announced the names of 12 students who will receive track letters for the past cinder campaign. Six of the members of the letter-winning contingent are seniors, three of them juniors, two sophomores and a lone freshman.

Members of the squad, Worthman said, elected Dick Winteregg, dash man on the Yellow Jacket team, captain.

Letter winners for the 1951 season include Winteregg, Bob Brennan, Roger Fruchte, Dwight Sheets, Curtis Jones, and George Bair, seniors; John Brunner, Jim Moses and Norman Schieferstein, juniors; Kent Koons and Ferris Kohne, sophomores, and Thurman Nudduth, freshman.

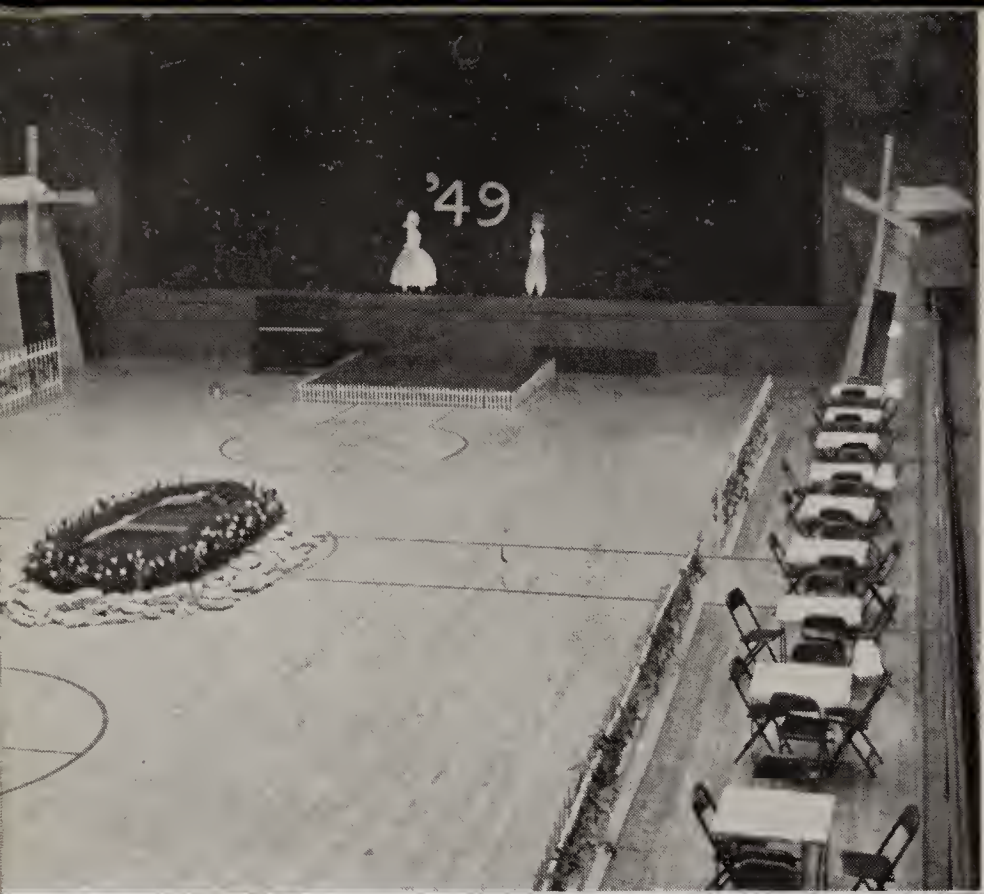
of paved streets without a pump.

Highway road repair crews have completed their job of filling in the deep ruts with repair material and city street repair crews already had finished their work about a week ago.

County road men are progressing with their repair work, but because of lack of road funds the county work probably will take most of the summer. All repair groups have done good jobs and since midwinter local streets have been in the worst condition of the last 10 years. The state crews finished Second street Tuesday and all that remains of their work for the present is leveling off a few high spots and filling a few low spots.

McManamon also brought up Indiana's 1947 lien law requiring county recorders to keep public records of welfare board liens against property of old age recipi-

Programs



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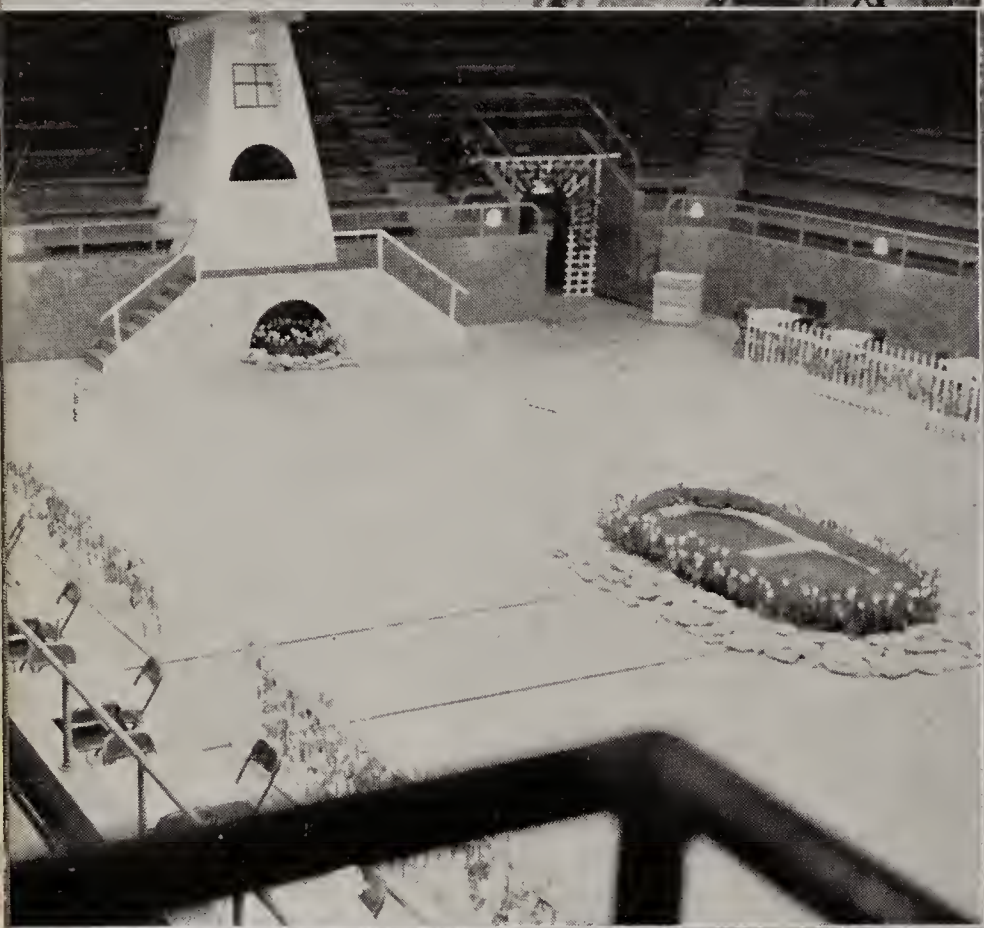

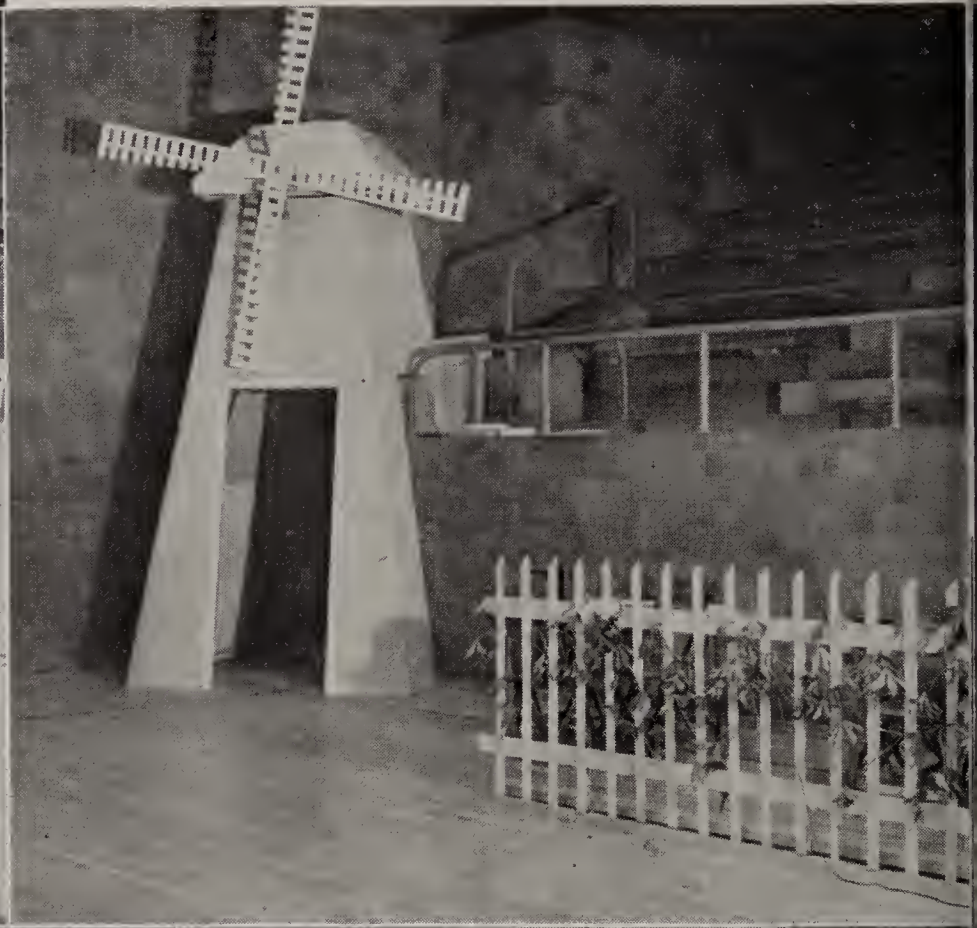

OFFICERS:

Allen Grote—Reporter
Lester Sautbine—President
Ralph Busse—Sentinel
Jim Moses—Vice-president
Robert Gray—Secretary
Vernon Thieme—Treasurer

Future Farmers of America

The Decatur Chapter of Future Farmers of America was organized in December of 1949. The charter officers elected were: Les Sautbine, President; Jim Moses, Vice-President; Vernon Thieme, Treasurer; Bob Gray, Secretary; Allen Grote, Reporter; Ralph Busse, Sentinel; Ed Marbach, Recreational Leader and Mr. Vaughn E. Miller, Adviser. Other charter members were Edmund Thieme, Leroy Walters, John Frank, Ronald Price, Jack McDonald, Eugene Hoffman, Don Hott, Fred Evans, Muris, Gray, Harry Lehrman, and Walter Lehrman.

Activities planned for this year by the Future Farmers included a garden seed sales project, farm safety program, printing of an annual newsletter, conducting a supervised farm practice tour, a F.F.A. softball team, building of metal farm gates, providing a series of speakers for F.F.A. meetings, and a Father and Son Banquet.

The Decatur Future Farmers are also competing in the county and district crops, livestock and dairy judging contests.

Top Row: Jack McDonald, Ralph Busse, Edmond Thieme, Jim Moses, Lester Sautbine, Robert Gray, John Frank, Leroy Walters, Fred Evans.
Bottom Row: Henry Lehrman, Don Hott, Eugene Hoffman, Walter Lehrman, Muris Gray, Allen Grote, Ed Marbach, Ronald Price, Vernon Thieme.

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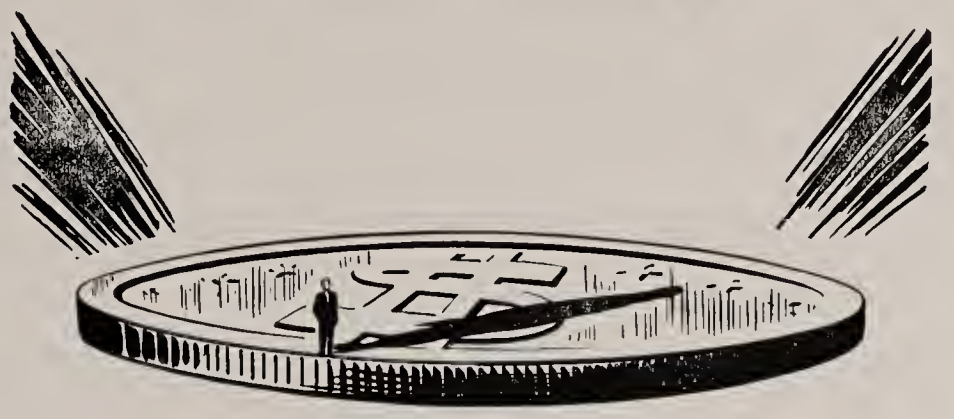

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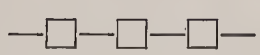

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